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Glen Cole Abuses...

The following letter was sent to Assemblyman Phil Isenberg.

Dear Sir:

The Queer Nation's lobbying at Capital Christian Center has brought up a few questions in my mind.

1. If they, Capital Christian Center, are a fundamentalist religion, why do they not take the word of God literally when it says "all the world should be taxed." (Luke 2:1)

2. Why does Pastor Glen Cole endorse the death penalty when God said, "Thou shalt not kill." (Exodus 20:13)

3. Has the Capital Christian Center donated money to the abortion issue? Have they donated money for Barbara Alby's campaign (one of their members)?

4. Why, if B.T. Collins is an atheist, does he make a political statement defending Capital Christian Center? The fact is, Easter is not a family holiday, but instead one of the most Holy Days of the Catholic and Orthodox community.

5. Why have they engaged in hypocrisy? They plead separation of church and state when they do not want to pay taxes, yet they most likely endorse the school choice initiative to support their tax-exempt school.

6. And, speaking of separation of church and state, did they not utilize 80 public servants—the sheriff department—to insure all three performances at their theater would be well-attended without disturbance to the patrons? Or, did they share their free-will offering with the County of Sacramento and State of California (CHP)?

In attempting to research, I noticed that PacTel, an exempt entity, contributes to most all the assembly members except you. Why not you? The chart I have is for the period Jan. 1-June 30, 1991. Maybe now they do.

Thanks,
Clara Henderson

Respect Marriage...

Dear Editor:

I am asking you and your readers some questions which may be difficult for you to answer.

If a bisexual man marries a woman and continues to have extra-marital sex with men, is he committing adultry? Can a bisexual man respect his wife while carrying on his extramarital affairs? Is it fair to his wife that he risks exposing her to AIDS? As surely as married men having sex with other women is unacceptable, doesn't the same rule apply to gay men?

Marriage is a sacred bond between two people, and a sexual relationship outside of that is disrespectful to the other spouse. So, therefore, can a woman sue her bisexual husband for emotional abuse and risking exposing her to AIDS.

Don't break up a family by having sex with a married man. Respect marriage and the family.

Michelle Kunert

Begins at Home...

Dear Editor:

Feminism, like any other personal improvement campaign, should begin at home. Is it possible, therefore, that much, if not most, of the frenzied "pro-choice" fervor arises from the egregious [sic] failure of many so-called feminists actually to effect change in their own male sex partners; that is, to persuade these men of their *equal share* of responsibility for practicing birth control? Any woman who settles for being a mere semen disposal system can hardly call herself a feminist.

Glenn Rice

AIDS Budget Day...

Dear Editor:

Enclosed is information on the Second Annual AIDS Budget Lobby Day in Sacramento, scheduled for Monday, May 11th. Also included is an Action Alert on the Assembly's proposed tirgger cuts and Senator Milton Marks' proposed augmentation in the state AIDS budget. I am hoping you will encourage your readers to attend Lobby Day and complete the urgent action. The budget situation looks so dire, we want to do everything we can to put pressure on the legislators to fight with us.

Thank you for your help.

Sincerely,
Regina Aragon
State Governmental Affairs Coordinator

A Challenge is Issued...

The following letter was sent to Pastor Glen Cole.

Dear Pastor Cole:

This is an open letter of concern. I am aware that Queer Nation is planning a demonstration at your location on Easter Sunday.

While I have no idea what form this demonstration may take, I feel compelled both by my Christian conscience and by my role within the gay and lesbian community to make this attempt to communicate with you. I am writing with the full knowledge of the congregation of River City Metropolitan Community Church.

First, I am writing as a Christian pastor to a Christian pastor. Together we share a responsibility and care for tending Christ's own. As you do, so do I pray over the lost, kneel by the bedside of those in their last hours, and exhort the faithful—as followers of our Sovereign Jesus Christ—to lives of spiritual health, responsibility, and compassion for all of God's children.

Second, neither my congregation nor myself can support any effort to disrupt a worship service. Because of our concern for you and your congregation on Easter Sunday, there will be special prayer, that you may worship in peace.

Third, I must be very direct in letting you know that my congregation and I both know and can understand the pain and frustration which motivates actions by groups such as QN. We, too, have watched as our friends and loved ones have suffered a horrible and painful death from a virus which some fundamentalist preachers have labeled "God's judgment on the gay community." We, too, have seen funding withheld and victims of the illness blamed for their own illness instead of receiving compassionate care.

We are also aware that government neglect in the vital areas of medication, research and education has flourished because of religious bigotry and homophobia which has pictured the gay and lesbian community as God's "throwaway" people.

The largest folk-art project in the world is the AIDS Quilt. This Quilt is largely the project of hundreds of thousands of God's gay and lesbian people stitching a memorial to their loved ones who often died—too painfully, too alone, and much too soon—due to government neglect fueled by the homophobia deeply rooted in many of America's religious institutions.

In October of this year, the AIDS Quilt will be spread full across the enormous mall of the Capitol of the United States as a reminder to all who care, that Silence equals Death. We can no longer be silent.

We can also remember how several years ago—in facing the enormity of the challenge of meeting the needs of a community impacted by AIDS—River City Metropolitan Community Church applied for membership in the Sacramento Interfaith Coalition. We were accepted. Your organization publically—in the media—demanded that we be expelled or you would withdraw from the coalition. As you remember, you did withdraw from that theologically diverse group, citing as your reason that our ministry was included.

We at RCMCC can also clearly recall the answer we received from you to the letter we sent out to all of Sacramento's religious organizations asking that all religions join together in a vigil of prayer concerning this deadly plague of AIDS. Our letter stated that we were not asking anyone to accept or condone a lifestyle, but rather that we join together in mutual prayer for persons with AIDS and in praying that a cure and treatment be found.

The answer we received from you, in essence, said, *"I will not join you and your church in this prayer. Because of your lifestyle, God will not listen to your prayers."*

Finally, I would like the opportunity to meet with you, publically—pastor to pastor—to establish a dialogue on these issues. As I am certain you are aware, I am a woman of integrity. I not only have pastored RCMCC for the past 20 years, but I am presently the chairperson of Sacramento's Gay and Lesbian Town Council. Last year I received the *1991 Women in History Award for Courage* from the Sacramento History Museum, and was a finalist for *Sacramento Magazine's* Human Services award.

I leave the date, time and place to your choosing.

Yours in Christ,
Rev. Freda Smith

▼ under the dome

Bi-Partisan Political Action Group Organizes in El Dorado County

Citing the negative impact of partisan politics upon public policy, three local residents met recently to organize and launch a new El Dorado County-based bi-partisan political organization under the name INVOLVED! (Independent Volunteers and Voters of El Dorado).

The founding co-chairs of INVOLVED! are Paul E. Johnson and Susan E. Kirkpatrick. Kirkpatrick, a resident of Camino and the wife of dentist Steve Kirkpatrick, is an administrative aide to Supervisor Vernon Gerwer. Johnson, residing at The Lone Antler Ranch located in the Grassy Run neighborhood between Placerville and Shingle Springs, is a First Vice President for a major national savings and loan association.

"Too often voters are led to believe that voting along party lines will further the beliefs and interests normally associated with a particular political party," note Johnson and Kirkpatrick. "Nothing could be further from the truth. It is in our best interest to identify the best candidates—regardless of political party. We plan to poll all candidates on the ballot in El Dorado County (with the exception of presidential candidates) regarding their position concerning specific issues and make the results available to the press and public of El Dorado County."

"In talking to friends and neighbors, we've found that many are inclined to split their votes," notes INVOLVED! treasurer Kevin Wadsworth. "The U.S. Senate race is a good indicator of this move to ignore party lines. We're seeing strong support for Tom Campbell, a republican candidate running to replace Allan Cranston; and Diane Feinstein, a democratic candidate running against incumbent John Seymour. We also note extremely shallow support for certain incumbent Supervisors and our current State Assemblyman, David Knowles." Wadsworth is a director and president of the Grassy Run Community Services District.

INVOLVED! will be developing its candidate questionnaire in the next few weeks and will provide the results to press and public prior to the June primary.

For info: 5360 Grassy Run, Placerville, CA 95667-9769.▼

Court Strikes Down Anti-Gay Measure

by Marghe Covino
OF MGW STAFF

The State Supreme Court barred from the ballot a fundamentalist-sponsored anti-gay initiative which was to have gone to the voters last November. The action of the court could overturn similar measures already passed in other cities, like Concord in the East Bay.

The initiative would have repealed existing local anti-discrimination measures on homosexuality and AIDS; it would have forbidden such measures to be enacted in the future without a public vote; and would have prohibited city funding of any activity which would "promote, encourage, endorse, legitimize or justify homosexual conduct."

Last December a state appeals court ruled the measure to be unconstitutional, finding it "creates barriers which do not exist for any other anti-bias legislation and had no justification except bigotry against homosexuals."

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▼ editorial

Since *1984*...

George Orwell was on to something. Decades ago he introduced an "alternate" world, one wrought with confusion, pain, oppression, and political corruption. Personal freedoms were an issue only if you were unlucky enough to possess too many of them. Privacy was unheard of -- and untolerated.

It's a shame that we've come a long way toward living up to Orwell's chilling literary image of *1984*. When the world learned of tennis great Arthur Ashe's battle with AIDS, it was not a voluntary admission from an otherwise extremely private celebrity.

What we witnessed was a man who was forced to reveal his health status before a reporter from *USA Today* beat him to the punch.

What we saw was an athlete who truly personifies the term "hero" (long before Magic Johnson was awarded the title under similarly tragic, albeit profoundly different, circumstances) forced to tell the about his condition long before he had a chance to explain it to his 5-year-old daughter.

What we experienced as a nation was an on-going attitude towards AIDS/HIV that transgresses the issued of privacy, integrity and personal dignity. Suddenly, if you have AIDS/HIV, or are even perceived to have AIDS/HIV, you forfeit your rights to privacy. And celebrities like Ashe are reduced to little more than commodities who must hold press conferences anytime a question about their health comes up. If AIDS is suspected, claims on personal freedoms evaporate in the face of society's ubiquitous right to know, and privacy rights for all individuals fly out the window.

Ashe, who has worked to shatter stereotypes, to abolish apartheid in South Africa, and to provide inner city children with opportunites he has been afforded, is the recent recipient of the Orwellian concept of personal freedom. In essence, we haven't any when the "right to know" is perceived to outweigh individual priorities.▼

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Syndicated Science Writer Asks Gay/Lesbian Scientists to Come Out

by Keith Clark
OF MGW STAFF

SAN FRANCISCO — It's one of those "only in San Francisco" stories but, hey, that's why it's called a "gay mecca."

Keay Davidson, the San Francisco Examiner's science writer and syndicated columnist, has asked gay and lesbian scientists to tell him about their experiences in the rarefied world of geology, biology, seismology and similar '-ologies' not generally seen as havens for gays and lesbians.

Davidson, whose column "Down to a Science" is syndicated by King Features in newspapers from Boston to Baton Rouge, says he was prompted to ask gays and lesbians to ask about their personal experiences in the sciences after he read an article in "The Scientist" about nationally known geologist Kerry Sieh.

In the March 2 article, Sieh talked about hiding his sexual orientation for the first 15 years of his career and how he went into the physical sciences because it was "the only part of the world I felt comfortable in.... Rocks and strata were friendly; I could study them without having to lie about anything."

Davidson said, "I really admire the courage of people like this. The gay and lesbian movement of today is the civil rights issue of the 1990s."

Davidson says he actually thinks there is less anti-gay prejudice in the hard sciences than in many other professions. "My perspective is that in fact scientists are more open minded and more liberal and that the real problem has been that the non-scientific media tend to look for a `cause' for homosexuality," Davidson said. "And that's loaded with all kinds of dangerous assumptions."

Gay and lesbian scientists interested in sharing their histories in their fields, should write before May 13 to: Keay Davidson, San Francisco Examiner, 110 Fifth St., San Francisco CA 94103. If necessary, Davidson says stories can be anonymous, but he does ask people to include their phone numbers so he can verify the information.

Davidson says he will give the best responses copies of Stephen Jay Gould's "Bully for Brontosaurus" - and if you have to ask what that is, don't bother writing.▼

Lesbian on Venus: Welcome to the Crater of Sappho

by Keith Clark
OF MGW STAFF

FLAGSTAFF, Ariz. — Last year the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) asked the general public to suggest the names of notable women to use in naming the thousands of geological features - craters, volcanoes, mountain ridges, etc. - being discovered by the Magellan space survey of the planet Venus. And lesbians around the country apparently responded in droves, saying it's time to "penetrate Venus and get dykes in outer space."

According to Joel Russell of the U.S. Geological Survey which is amassing and recommending the Venus names, hundreds of names of prominent women have been sent in during the past year, and a large number of the already approved or proposed names include women who were known or believed to be lesbians or bisexuals.

Some of the women whose names the IAU has already approved for geological features on Venus include Susan B. Anthony, Willa Cather, Colette, Gertrude Stein, Virginia Woolf and Hatshepsut, the Amazon Queen of ancient Egypt. Appropriately enough, the first lesbian to have her name associated with the planet was the Greek poet Sappho. In addition, Russell said a number of other lesbians whose names have been proposed for approval this year are: Djuna Barnes, Rosa Bonheur, Alice B. Toklas, Sara Teasdale and Marguerite Yourcenar.

Russell said the USGS still wants more suggested names of notable women for possible names of features on Venus and women involved in Queer Nation/LABIA here have urged lesbians to keep sending in names.

"I see it as a screamingly sexual thing," said LABIA member Peggy Sue. "Venus is an inherently sexual female symbol of fertility, womanness, love and girls doing girls. I think it's great. Venus is a very dykey name."

The USGS does have some restrictions on proposed names. They must be notable women who have been dead for at least three years, not connected with any of the so-called "living religions" and not 19th or 20th century political figures.

Suggestions should be submitted along with a one- or two-sentence explanation of the woman's noteworthy accomplishments along with the dates of her birth and death. Names can be mailed to: Venus Names, U.S. Geological Survey, Branch of Astrogeology, 2255 N. Gemini Drive, Flagstaff AZ 86001.▼

Man Cleared of Fondling Dolphin

by Keith Clark
OF MGW STAFF

NEWCASTLE, England — After a five-day trial, a jury found animal-rights campaigner Alan Cooper not guilty of outraging the public decency in connection with charges he masturbated a male bluenose dolphin in full view of a group of boaters.

Cooper had been charged with an act of "lewd, obscene or disgusting nature" in conjunction with the alleged incident late last year. The prosecutor had produced two witnesses from the boating group who had said they had watched Cooper, 39, masturbate the male dolphin for "several minutes."

But Newcastle Crown Court Judge John Johnson, pointed out discrepancies in the accounts given by the two witnesses. The judge also cited expert testimony by Dr. Horace Dobbs, a dolphin specialist whom Cooper had consulted about the swimming mammal's behavior, and who testified during the trial.

Dobbs testified that he had told Cooper to relax and enjoy his encounter with the dolphin which Dobbs said sometimes includes using its penis.

"It is extending the `finger of friendship' and should not be rejected," Dobbs told the court he had advised Cooper.▼

Gay/Lesbian Mainstream Journalists Set Landmark Meeting

The first-ever national conference of gay and lesbian journalists in mainstream media is scheduled in San Francisco June 25-27. It will examine the role of the print and electronic press in coverage of lesbian and gay issues.

The historic conference is the first of a new and swiftly expanding organization, the National Lesbian and Gay Journalists Association (NLGJA). The organization, begun 18 months ago, has grown to more than 600 participants, with eight regional chapters across the country.

The conference, co-sponsored by Media Alliance, brings together hundreds of gay and lesbian professionals from newspapers, magazines, television and radio. They will discuss such issues as workplace benefits and bias, portrayal of gays/lesbians in the mass media, and strategies to encourage fair and complete coverage of sexual minority issues.

The group will hear keynote addresses from Andrew Sullivan, controversial editor of *The New Republic* magazine, and Linda Villarosa, senior editor of *Essence Magazine,* who co-authored with her mother a widely-praised article about relations between a lesbian and her mother. In addition, author Randy Shilts will preview his explosive new book on gays and the military.

NLGJA grew out of a landmark survey by the American Society of Newspaper Editors of more than 200 gay and lesbian print journalists, coordinated by Leroy Aarons, then executive editor of *The Oakland Tribune.* The survey found:

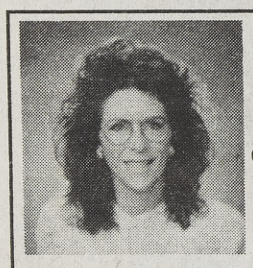
• Many work in newsrooms tainted by an atmosphere of homophobia that is not interrupted by managers;

• Two-thirds rated their paper's coverage of gay/lesbian issues fair to poor; and

• More than 80% said too little space is devoted to covering gay and lesbian issues.

Aarons, who went on to found NLGJA and serves as its president, said, "This conference comes at a watershed moment in which forces typified by Buchanan, Duke and Helms would force gays and lesbians deeper into oblivion. On the other hand, the news industry is seriously seeking greater enlightenment on the issues. We meet at a time ripe with both opportunity and danger."

He cited as a positive example a recent meeting of NLGJA's New York chapter, in which *New York Times* Managing Editor Joseph Lelyveld expressed "solidarity with my gay colleagues" and said the gay movement "has stretched the boundaries of what it's possible to discuss in an honest, forthright way in daily newspapers."▼



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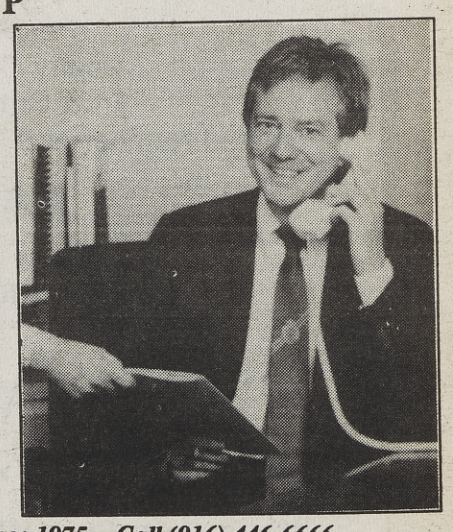

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Gay Businesses Receive Threats

by Dave Eckert
MGW ASSOC EDITOR

Several gay/lesbian-owned businesses and the Lambda Center have received letters and threatening phone calls from individuals who calls themselves "friends of ZORO."

"ZORO" first surfaced in a heterosexual computer bulletin board, where a file entitled "STOP GAYS" was found buried in a utility program. Several pages long, the file was primarily a list of gay/lesbian-owned businesses and gathering places with veiled threats as to how these business might be disabled.

Subsequently, several businesses and the Lambda Center received a letter dated April 18 which referred to the computer file and made more explicit threats toward the gay/lesbian community.

The Lambda Center has also received two threatening phone calls from an individual who identified himself as one of the "friends of ZORO." No further communication has been received since Lambda received the phone calls.

All material from these incidents have been turned over to the Sacramento Police Department for investigation.▼

Gay Ham Radio Operators File Suit

Lambda Legal Defense and Education Fund has filed a complaint in the Connecticut Commission on Human Rights against the American Radio Relay League (the "League") for rejecting an advertisement submitted by the Lambda Amateur Radio Club ("LARC"), an organization for lesbian and gay ham radio operators and supporters. The complaint alleges that the League's refusal to print the gay club's ad violates Connecticut's recently enacted gay rights law.

The League, headquartered in Connecticut, is a national organization of ham radio operators which, among other activities, publishes a monthly magazine called *QST* devoted to ham radio issues. A portion of the League's publication features classified advertisements of independent ham radio clubs and networks. The ad allows the clubs to increase their membership and visibility.

For more than six years, LARC has repeatedly submitted an ad containing basic membership information for publication in the League's *QST*. After accepting LARC's first submission and publishing it for one month in late 1985, editors of *QST* suddenly discontinued the advertisement. Since then, they have rejected numerous submissions by LARC, stating that LARC's proposed advertisement is unacceptable for publication.

In December 1991, *QST* rejected LARC's request to publish the following copy which was accompanied by the club's address and phone number: "LAMBDA AMATEUR RADIO CLUB INTERNATIONAL FOR GAY AND LESBIAN HAMS." According to League and *QST* officials, the gay group's ad was rejected for representing a "special interest group", despite the fact that *QST* continues to publish the ads of ham radio operator clubs with memberships ranging from Jehovah's Witnesses to atheists to followers of Ayn Rand.▼

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Surge of Violence Against Lesbians/Gays

Violence and victimization against gays/lesbians is on the rise across the nation, according to a recent report by the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force (NGLTF).

The NGLTF has documented 1,822 separate incidents in 1991 that include harassment, threats, vandalism, physical assaults, arson, police abuse and murder. Five major cities were cited as the worst offenders of gay civil rights during that one-year period: New York, Boston, Minneapolis/St. Paul, Chicago and San Francisco.

A total of 592 incidents were reported in the New York City area, 473 in San Francisco, 338 in Minneapolis/St.Paul, 210 in Chicago and 209 in Boston. All the incidents amount to a 31 percent increase over the documented incidents in 1990 and a 161 percent increase of attacks since 1988.

AIDS bias, homophobia as portrayed by Hollywood and on the political circuit and socio-economic factors appear to be major catalysts in the treatment of homosexuals in American society. Movies such as "Silence of the Lambs" and "Basic Instinct," as well as anti-gay remarks by such political leaders like Patrick Buchanan have only helped to hurt the gay community and have aided in distorting its image. All of these factors coupled with the bleak economic condition of the country have led to the increases in violence.

Some of the recommendations the NGLTF have set forth to help rectify the situation and increase sensitivity and awareness are increased funding for the implementation of the Hate Crime Statistics Act; passage of state and local laws to curb anti-gay/lesbian violence and other bias crimes; passage of local and state laws prohibiting discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation; mandatory sensitivity training for law enforcement personnel; required educational programs in schools and churches to counter-act intolerance and anti-gay prejudice; and vigorous condemnation of anti-gay prejudice and violence by religious leaders, politicians, educators and media personalities.▼

Gay Rodeo in S.F.

On July 24-26, the Golden State Gay Rodeo Association-Bay Area Chapter will mount the Bay Area Regional Rodeo. Organized as a benefit for Northern and Central California AIDS/ARC service organizations, the Rodeo will be held on a 33-acre site at Fourth and Channel Streets, Mission Bay, near downtown San Francisco.

"We expect over 10,000 spectators to gather as 150 contestants compete for more than $20,000 in purses and awards," stated Rodeo Director Michael Callery. Entertainment, open dancing, square dancing, vendors and a midway are planned, and a state dance competition—a preliminary to the International Gay Rodeo Association dance finals—will also be held.

Entering its tenth year, the IGRA has in excess of 80,000 members in 23 states and has recognized 59 competitions since its inception, 13 of which were held in California. The IGRA governs all aspects of competition, educates and licenses all judges, stewards and technical delegates who officiate at these rodeos, and works to promote the sport throughout the United States. Miller Brewing Company proudly serves as a sponsor of the Bay Area Regional Rodeo, and is the international sponsor of all IGRA-sanctioned rodeos.

As one of three rodeo chapters in the state of California, the BAC was founded in 1984 as a not-for-profit volunteer organization. The Chapter, which extends from Bakersfield north to the Oregon border, currently has a membership of nearly 90 men and women. In addition to the Rodeo, BAC-sponsored events include fundraisers, trail rides, dances, and rodeo and equestrian training. It is the intent of each of the three chapters to raise and distribute money to AIDS/ARC organizations throughout the state.

For information: 800-945-RODEO; or Box 14398, San Francisco, CA 94114-0398.▼

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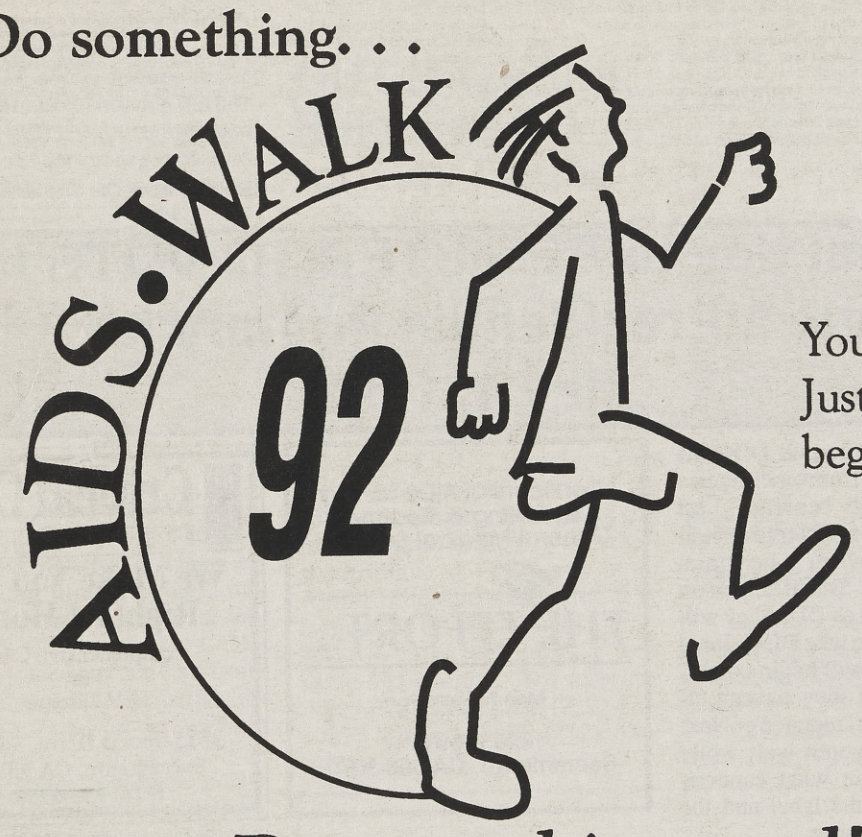

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HIV newsline

by Sonya Cox
AIDS/HIV EDITOR

New "Definition" Put Off Again...

People with fewer than 200 T-cells who are asymptomatic (who do not have any of the diseases or infections that come with advancing HIV disease) still do not "have AIDS," according to the Centers for Disease Control. CDC had proposed to include people with fewer than 200 T-cells with those already having an AIDS diagnosis as of the end of last year; this decision was postponed at that time, and was expected to become effective as of April. Once again, action on this issue has not been taken. Perhaps CDC is re-evaluating the effects of changing their criteria for tracking cases in mid-stream. The statistics are grossly underreported already, in great part because so many families have tried to hide the true cause of death of people with AIDS. By changing the rules after 10 years, accurate statistics will surely never be possible.

Statistics Cross 200,000 Mark...

Despite under-reporting, the 210,000th case of AIDS has now been recorded by the Centers for Disease Control. Of this number, CDC records show 135,000 have died. It took over seven years to reach the first 100,000, and two years to reach the second. We're now averaging 137 new cases of full-blown AIDS every day—one every 10 minutes. And every 13 minutes, a previously uninfected person becomes positive with HIV. In Sacramento, 276 people are currently living with AIDS, as well as over 1,000 at various stages of HIV disease who are either receiving treatment or learning how to take care of themselves.

A Message for Sun Worshipers...

Here comes the California sun, and it's time to remember that people with a severely compromised immune system must be careful of its rays.

• If your system is prone to herpes viruses, they may be inspired to come forward with full force along with your new tan.

• People taking septra or bactrim need to remember that these drugs have a photo-sensitivity side effect: a third degree burn could result if you're on these medications.

• Serious sun worshipers can develop more severe KS lesions than others.

Take care of yourself if you're positive. Purchase a bottle of instant tan, and cut back (yes, we know this is hard) on lounging at the beach.

Preventative Showing Strong Promise...

A bacterial infection which up until recently has been extremely difficult to treat is now responding favorably to yet another drug. MAC (mycobacterium avium complex, formerly called MAI, mycobacterium avium intercellulare) causes fever, sweats, weight loss, abdominal problems and anemia in people with T-cell counts under 100. In the past, it was treatable only with a variety of harsh drugs that were very difficult to take, especially with few T-cells left to fight side effects. A previously used antibiotic, rifabutin, is showing more and more promise in preventing and delaying MAC infections in the bloodstream. Last year, clarythromycin and azythromycin came upon the scene as viable treatments for MAC. But to have found a way of *preventing* this infection is a major step forward. Over 25 percent of people in late-stage HIV infection develop MAC, a bacteria similar to the germ that causes tuberculosis, but which can wreck havoc when it spreads to the bloodstream, bone marrow, lymph nodes or liver. The results of testing on a few hundred people so far have been so positive that the FDA has authorized pre-approval distribution of rifabutin to people with advanced AIDS. Current dosage suggestions for prevention are two 150mg capsules a day. It's expected that as many as 5,000 of the 75,000 Americans living with AIDS will eventually receive this drug through FDA's expanded distribution (treatment IND) program. FDA is also considering allowing prescription sales of the drug (no price has yet been set for it).

Facing Reality (Getting Tested)...

It's thought that as many as 4-5,000 Sacramentans are positive with HIV disease but have not yet been tested. New national averages estimate that one man out of every 100, and one woman out of every 800, carries the virus. For the readers of this paper, it's quite likely that a much higher average then that exists. It's absolutely possible to extend your life by many years with treatment and by following various self-help guidelines, and it's possible to forestall as well as treat many of the infections or diseases that a compromised immune system brings with it. For that reason, the following "Dear Abby" letter and response is being reproduced in HIV NEWSLINE this week in the hope that it can reach some of those thousands among us who have not yet been tested. Information and support is here for you; you're eventually going to find out one way or the other if you're positive—don't find out the hard way—by being hospitalized when you didn't have to be.

Vaccine for Babies...

Nine pediatric AIDS medical centers are tentatively scheduled to begin vaccine trials on babies exposed to HIV. Their goal, says the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases in Bethesda, MD, is to bring vaccines to newborns within the next ten months. One hospital in New York's Harlem recently reported that 9 percent of all obstetric patients are now HIV positive. Nation-wide, about 33 percent of babies exposed at birth to the virus eventually become positive. Under poor, inner-city conditions where moms may not have access to care during their pregnancy, the percentage may be much higher. About 6,000 infected babies were born in the United States last year.

FDA Advisors Back DDC Combination...

The Food and Drug Administration advisory panel has recommended approval of the experimental drug DDC, but only in combination with AZT. The one study done so far comparing DDC to AZT showed that HIV disease progressed faster in those taking DDC alone. The people in this test were quickly put on a combination of the two drugs, which is showing in other studies to work well. The panel left open their option to pull DDC off the market if data from other studies fail to confirm its benefits. Last year's approval of DDI allows it to be taken alone when a person is AZT-intolerant. But if a person fails AZT as well as DDI, they will not be approved to take DDC alone; most likely they will begin combination therapy if they haven't already begun this regimen. Next step: a several-month wait while officials work out what cautions must be put on the label and the price they will charge.

Thank you to Dr. Bary Siegal for his continued oversight of this column.▼

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Legal Issues Around HIV

Legal Issues around HIV was presented by Carolyn Langenkamp and Eileen Gillis, members of Sacramentos oldest and largest all women law office, at the SAF on April 13th. The presentation was part of a series of forums on Gay/Lesbian HIV issues at the Sacramento AIDS Foundation.

His disregard for health angers friend

DEAR ABBY
By Abigail Van Buren

DEAR ABBY: I never thought I would be writing a Dear Abby letter, but I am so angry I have to vent, or I will explode!

I have a very close male friend of more than 30 years. We have no secrets and have shared wonderful experiences and trips together. "Jim" is openly gay. For decades I begged (and even tried to bribe) him to give up cigarettes, but to no avail. He pleaded "hopeless addiction" and refrained from smoking in front of me. But his clothes and car smelled of smoke, so he didn't kid me.

Abby, about a month ago, Jim suddenly gave up smoking. I asked him if it was on doctor's orders, and he said, "No, I just don't feel like smoking." Then, a few weeks ago, I saw him and he looked absolutely green. He was breathless, as though he had been running, and said he felt "just terrible." I told him he didn't look too well, either, and urged him to see his doctor.

To make a long story short – he paid a visit to the doctor, who ordered him immediately into the hospital. The diagnosis is pneumocystic pneumonia.

Abby, I am furious with him! When all the publicity about AIDS came out 10 years ago, he told me he hadn't had contact with anybody "in ages." And over the years, as mutual friends became sick, I asked him if he had been tested for AIDS. He just repeated that he hadn't been near anybody in almost 10 years and, if he was HIV-positive, he would rather not know it.

How could anybody be so selfish? How could he have had so little consideration for the people who love him? If he cared so little for his own health – couldn't he have at least made sure he was all right for *my* sake, and for the other friends who treasure him as I do? I am heartbroken.

If he had only confirmed he was HIV-positive, he and his doctor could have monitored his immune system, and he would have had advance warning that he was in serious trouble. Instead, he wasted precious weeks.

The doctors "think" they can pull him through this "episode" – but what if they can't? This is so unfair. Why, oh why, would an intelligent person who knows he is at risk refuse to be tested when it is so important that people know their status?

– Heartbroken In Houston

DEAR HEARTBROKEN: Your friend is lucky to have such a caring friend as you. His is a classic case of denial. It is very difficult for some people to face the possibility that they might be infected with an incurable disease and have to deal with the discrimination and rejection they might encounter.

And you are absolutely right – especially today with the advances that have been made in treating HIV-infection and its effects. Persons who know they are at risk should be tested so they can benefit from what help is available.

With proper treatment and early intervention, the quality (and quantity) of life is far from hopeless.

What teenagers need to know about sex, drugs, AIDS and getting along with their peers and parents is now in Abby's updated, expanded booklet, What Every Teen Should Know. To order, send a long, business-size, self-addressed envelope, plus check or money order for $3.95 to: Dear Abby, Teen Booklet, P.O. Box 15779, Sacramento 95852. Postage is included.

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news clips

by Winston McDade
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"Cold Iron" Seeks Stories

"Cold Iron," an anthology of writing by and about gay and lesbian prisoners, wants your submissions of written work on the subject. Editor Lin Elliot is especially interested in any collaborations and interactions between prisoners and non-prisoners and would like to receive submissions that showcase the diversity of lesbians and gay men with experiences that cut across racial, sexual, political, religious and economic boundaries and perspectives. Homophobia in the prison system, juvenile detention and reform schools, transsexuals in prison, racism, sexual abuse and the treatment of ex-cons are just some of the topics Elliot is considering; however, the range of subjects should not be limited to these experiences alone. The deadline for submissions is December 31, 1992 and should be sent to Lin Elliot, c/o Indigenous Thought, 6802 SW 13th St., Gainesville, FL 32608, or "Cold Iron," c/o John Fall, 1457B 22nd Ave., Seattle, WA 98122.

Mag Focuses On Same-Sex Couples

"Partners Newsletter for Gay and Lesbian Couples," the first magazine for same-sex couples, was launched on Valentine's Day and offers support and encouragement to couples who often receive little support from anywhere or anyone else, such as families, friends or employers. The magazine offers insightful information on closeted relationships, gay partnership surveys, gay and lesbian weddings and adoptions, or childbirth announcements of gay/lesbian couples. "Partners" is also seeking more information on gay and lesbian social groups around the nation to help broaden the horizons and offer more tangible resources and support to gay couples. For information: Stevie Bryant, (206) 784-1519, "Partner," Box 9685, Seattle, WA 98109.

Cracker Barrel Sit-In Sparks Reporter's Arrest

An organized and peaceful sit-in of a Virginia Cracker Barrel restaurant sparked the arrest of a reporter who was not filming at the time. Tim McCarthy, a reporter for the New York City-based Gay Cable Network, joined gay activists from Queer Nation and the Human Rights Campaign Fund in protesting Cracker Barrel's policy of firing gay and lesbian employees solely because of their sexual orientation and was arrested, handcuffed and forced to wait outside in a car. The arrest of McCarthy illuminated a point that many of the protestors wished to emphasize: Cracker Barrel doesn't want their discriminatory hiring practices to become widely known for fear of losing potential business and customers. And although Cracker Barrel has stated that its policies against employing homosexuals has been rescinded, it has yet to rehire the lesbian and gay men that have already been fired. McCarthy's hearing on trespassing charges will take place in the Spotsylvania, Virginia General District Court on May 21.

--Human Rights Campaign Fund

International Gay/Lesbian Film/Video Festival

Submissions of films and videos are now being accepted for screening for the Fresno International Gay and Lesbian Film/Video Festival put on by Figleaf Educational Festivals. All submissions are being considered for the 1992-93 season and selected submissions will be considered for a national tour. For information: Executive Director Kenneth R. Fries, (209) 435-6992; Figleaf Educational Festivals, Box 4092, Fresno, CA 93744.

International Penpals

I.G.P. (International Gay Penpals) offers opportunities for international correspondence as a hobby, future summer vacation spots, the chance to learn a foreign language or develop an international friendship or romance. The I.G.P. offers listings of gay men representing such countries as England, France, Japan, Sweden, Russia, Denmark, West Indies, Hong Kong and much more. Interested men should send a self-addressed stamped envelope to: I.G.P., Ste. 320, Box 7304, North Hollywood, CA 91603.

OUT Magazine Releases CD for Gay Cause

k.d. lang, Debbie Harry, Lou Reed, David Byrne and a host of other music celebrities have come together with other Sire Records recording artists on a compact disk compilation this spring for OUT Magazine, a new national gay/lesbian periodical available in June. The superstar collaboration, entitled "GET OUT," marks a first major label contribution for the gay cause. Charter subscribers will receive the 17-track CD with their subscription to OUT, and as of April 15 fans can receive the CD by calling OUT's information line, 1-800-876-1199, and leaving their name and address. For information: Michael Kaminer, (212) 473-3727; Michael Goff, (212) 334-9119.

Gays Urged to Get Involved

Here are a few suggestions that would help to propel the gay community closer towards our "human rights and dignity." Every gay person is encouraged to vote and support politicians who support gay rights; discourage anti-gay remarks or jokes; to "come out" to at least one person because people acquainted with gay individuals are more likely to support gay rights and coming out educates people; to attend gay events and participate in gay groups; volunteer or contribute your time and be supportive and respective of one another.

--Gay and Lesbian Times

Louisiana Bans Discrimination

Louisiana's fourth term Democratic Governor Edwin Edwards signed an executive order on Feb. 17 banning discrimination against gays in state agencies and any agencies doing business with the state. Edwards has stated in the past that he would endorse such an order if it was ever presented to him.

--Washington Blade

Gay School on Horizon

Dr. Simon LeVay, who earlier last year created quite a stir involving his research and studies of the brains of gay men, is now preparing to open a school devoted primarily to gay issues. LeVay, who is openly gay, plans to offer an approximation of 50 courses and will most likely attract much of his staff and faculty members from the University of Southern California, the University of California at Los Angeles and the California Institute of Technology.

--Washington Blade

Texas Sodomy Law Struck Down

Challengers of Texas' sodomy law have argued that it "made criminals out of law-abiding citizens because of their consenting relations behind closed doors," and the Third Court of Appeals appears to agree with them. The appellate decision to declare the sodomy law unconstitutional was based primarily on the issue of privacy and marks a major victory for gay Texans.

--B.A.R.

SF Gay Program Attacked

San Francisco's Unified School District's gay, lesbian and bisexual student services program was targeted by Sen. Jesse Helms in the Feb. 22 Congressional Record. Use of the district's federal drug abuse funds have been allocated towards gay student services because these youths are considered at risk for drug and substance abuse and HIV, but Helms doesn't believe sexual orientation is a basis for substance abuse. District officials, however, have discounted Helms' opinions of at risk youths and have stated that they will continue to support gay student services.

--B.A.R.

Sensitivity Training for Cops

Philadelphia Police Commissioner Willie Williams wants to recruit gays and lesbians into the police force and is seeking input from Philadelphia community organizations, including the gay community. Police attitudes towards gay men, lesbians, and bisexuals, as well as their irrational fear of AIDS, have gotten the Philadelphia Police Department less than glowing reports from the press. Williams is hoping his recruitment of gays, as well as forming sensitivity classes taught by gays, will help to change the department's image.

--P.G.N.

Gay Sci-Fi Takes Off

The Gaylactic Network, an association of organizations for gays, lesbians, bisexuals, and their friends who are interested in science fiction, fantasy, and horror wants to beam you aboard. As part of their expansion program, the Network is reaching out to gay individuals having an avid interest in the above genres who may be unaware of its existence. Also, Gaylaxicon IV, the Network's annual science fiction/fantasy/horror convention, is being sponsored by the Philadelphia and D.C. area chapters of the Gaylactic Network on July 17-19. For information: The Gaylactic Network, P.O. Box 127, Brookline, MA 02149.

Teen Suspended Over T-Shirt

The San Jose Unified School District literally tried to take the shirt off a student's back recently because of the political messages the t-shirt contained. Joneil Adriano, a 17-year-old high school senior active in student government, was barred from an assembly with San Jose Mayor Susan Hammer, U.S. Secretary of Education Lamar Alexander, State Sen. Becky Morgan and Assemblyman Charles Quackenbush after he refused to change his clothes. The "offending" t-shirt is reported to have contained political references to gay rights, ever-increasing college fees, the death penalty and a voter recall of Governor Pete Wilson.

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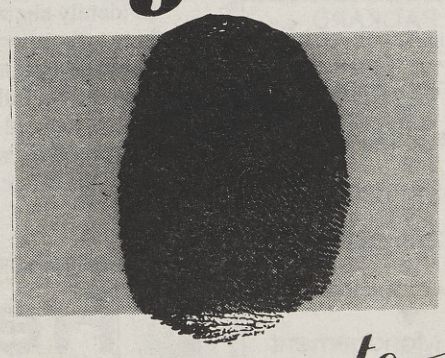

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How did your mother respond when you came out to her?

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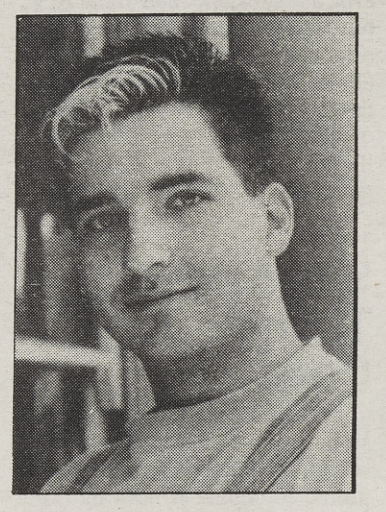

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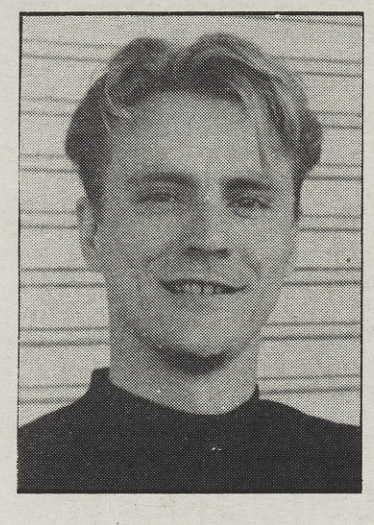

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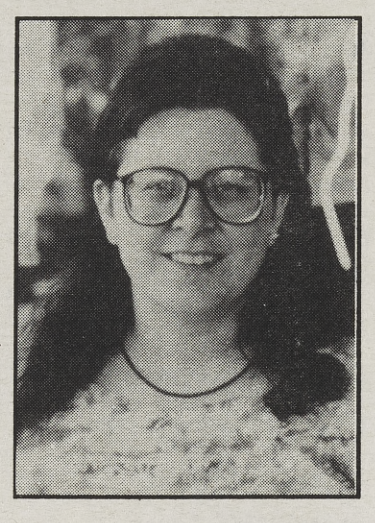

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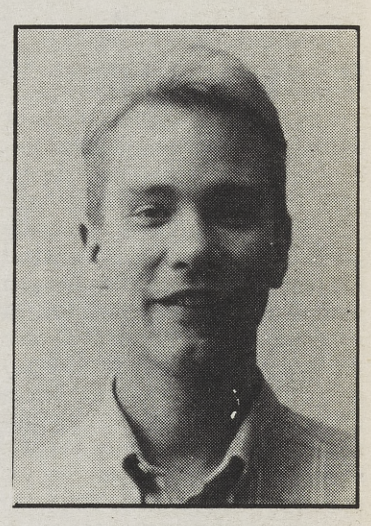

Andrew Swanson
"It doesn't matter, you're still Andrew... She also took me to my first gay bar to introduce me to a couple of her friends that worked there."

Gay Life In Stockton

by Kathelen Johnson
GUEST WRITER

To a person living in the Bay Area, or even Sacramento, Stockton hardly seems the hotspot of gay social life and gay rights activism. There are a lot of occupied closets here, closed and locked.

But how many of those closeted gay men and lesbian women in Stockton (or anywhere, for that matter) have ever wondered, "What would happen if my employer knew I was gay?" Or if my church/temple knew, etc. There are many ways to find out what would happen, some easier than others. This is my story.

I actually came out in San Jose one year ago, sitting in my mother's kitchen and talking about who I was. That evening I drove back to Stockton and attended an MCC service for the first time. A few months later I told my sisters by mail and a few close friends in town in person.

Then last November I woke to find myself "outted" right on the front page of the morning *Stockton Record."* Above my picture was the headline, "Church May Oust Lesbian Leader." Some women at the Christian Science church that I attend had just found out I'm lesbian, condemned me an impure sinner, removed me from my position as a Second Reader (a main position in our Sunday worship service), and were determined to relieve me of my duties as President of the board, a post to which the membership had elected me.

As I drove to work that November morning, I certainly was wondering what would happen. Would I be fired from my teaching job? What would it feel like being out all at once to administrators, teachers, students, parents, friends, neighbors—everyone?

As with so many women, for a long time I didn't know that I was lesbian. It took me some years to admit it to myself and feel pride rather than shame about who I essentially am. But by the time this news flash exploded on the front page, I was feeling strong and stable within. It was OK.

I took a bouquet from my garden to the school secretary that morning, and as I handed it to her, an assistant secretary looked at me with a warm smile and what looked like admiration and breathed, "We should be giving *you* flowers!" Then she gave me a warm, friendly hug.

As I walked down the hallway, I approached the principal and school psychologist, deep in earnest conversation, coming toward me. As we drew abreast, the principal just smiled and greeted me. "Ah, he hasn't seen the morning paper yet," I mused. He continued walking past, but the psychologist stopped and turned, and with a gentle touch on my arm looked me in the eye and said with a voice full of sincerity and courage, "I want you to know that I support you."

Evidently she wasted no time in talking to the principal, for within a half hour he was in my classroom offering me his full support. In a firm voice he said that I should refer any problems with students or parents to his office, and he'd take care of it.

Several teachers throughout the day echoed the words of the psychologist: "I support you." How comforting! Those who did not approve, those who think lesbians don't deserve the same place in society as straight women, said nothing. The students were talkative, but to each other, not to me.

An executive administrator came to assure me that my job was not in jeopardy—I could continue teaching.

When I got home, I found my telephone answering machine tape full of supportive messages from friends, strangers, people I hadn't heard from in years. There wasn't a single insult or obscene word. Rather, I heard these messages in reaction to the church's proposed action:

"I'm thinking about you, I care about you, and I love you."

"You're still my friend. Nothing has changed."

"What is being done to you is very wrong. Good luck, and God be with you."

"I want to give you my full support. There are those of us who love you dearly."

"People are so fearful. Put it behind you and get on with your life. We are all different in some way, visible or invisible. We need to look for similarities."

"You are no different. You're the same today as you were yesterday."

"More power to you. Don't back off. Go with what you believe."

"We're concerned. We hope you're okay. Call us."

"We're praying for you, not to change you, but that others will see the light. Just remember we are all pulling for you. That Person, He or She, is helping you. We love you just as you are. My heart goes out to you. I love you dearly. You're one of the most beautiful of God's creatures."

"Honey, I think this is shit. I feel so badly for you. You're a neat lady, goddammit! Those people are the biggest assholes. It's their loss."

Stockton has a lot more people who are tolerant and accepting than one would at first suspect. This isn't such a bad place to be gay or lesbian after all.▼

'Draft Tsongas' Group Forms

by Keith Clark
OF MGW STAFF

SAN FRANCISCO—On Wednesday, April 22, a coalition of California voters launched a grassroots campaign to draft former Massachusetts Senator Paul Tsongas back into the Democratic race for the presidency, in spite of Tsongas' formal withdrawal from the primary race last month.

The organizers of Californians to Draft Paul Tsongas said they're committed to promote Tsongas andhis policies even without the former senator's consent.

"This is an opportunity for Californians to vote on ideas and the candidate with solid ideas is Paul Tsongas," said Tom Rees, the state chairman of the new organization.

Rees cited Tsongas' outspoken commitment to progressive social issues such as abortion and gay/lesbian rights coupled with "a far-reaching fiscal policy" as the motivation behind the formation of the volunteer political organization. Rees said a broad spectrum of people were involved in the group, including business executives, labor leaders, and lesbian/gay rights activists.

Even though Tsongas has withdrawn from the presidential primary, his name will still appear on the Democratic ballot in the state's June 2 primary election.▼

Brown Endorses Gay/Lesbian Marriages; Clinton Says 'No'

by Keith Clark
OF MGW STAFF

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Former California governor and Democratic presidential hopeful Jerry Brown has made gay history by becoming the first major presidential candidate to publicly endorse marriage rights for same-sex couples.

The Human Rights Campaign Fund released responses Tuesday, March 31, to a questionnaire asking Brown and Arkansas Gov. Bill Clinton their positions on lesbian and gay marriage rights.

To the question "Do you believe that same-sex couples should have the right to marry and enjoy the same legal and tax benefits as heterosexual couples," Brown replied, "Yes. The right to privacy is key." Clinton, without elaboration, simply responded, "No."

Political analysts believe Brown's endorsement of same-gender marriage would help him woo votes among gays and lesbians but could adversely affect him among more conservative heterosexual voters.

No state currently allows same-sex marriages although there are test cases now in Washington, D.C. and Hawaii in various stages.▼

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by John Batchelor
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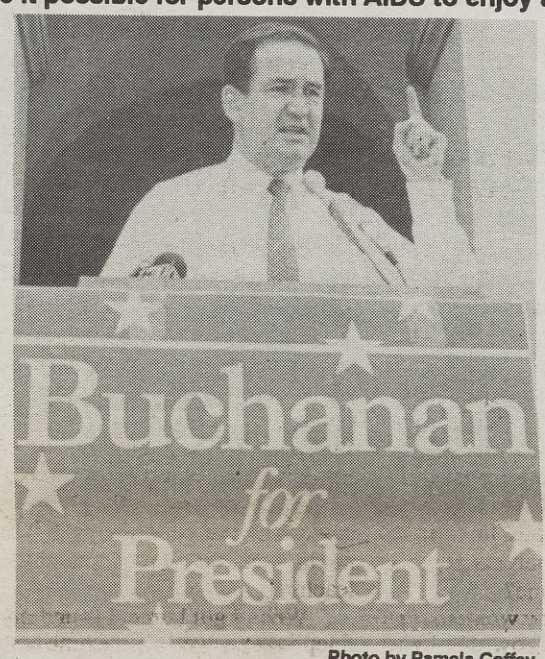
The **Sacramento Men's Chorus (SMC** presents "An Epicurean Delight" on May 2 and 3. Eat, drink and be merry (musically anyway) at the Sierra II Center. Stop by the Gifted Gardener for tickets. ▼ Dress proudly for the first annual **Prom with Pride** sponsored by the Gay and Lesbian Students Union at Sacramento City College on May 9. It's great to see Sac City taking its place in the college lambda community. Why didn't my college gang at CSUS organize one of these proms?! ▼ **By all accounts** the "action" at the Capital Christian Center on Easter was a success. While it's doubtful that any of the church members will change, hopefully the rest of the community will realize what this church stands for. Former Sacramentan **Stephen Crow** even made the front page of the *Sacramento Union.* While none of Stephen's friends subscribe to the paper, it was **Sister Flatulina Grande's** (his Sister's of Perpetual Indulgence title) father who broke the news to him. What a photo opportunity, painted face and all! ▼ The word recently is that there will be a dance tent or area at this year's **Lambda Freedom Fair.** Mr. Flash made the recommendation via the column last year. Many thanks to the organizing committee for implementing the idea. Will there be any C&W dancing? ▼ What a surprise to see a one-third page advertisement for the **C.G.N.I.E. Coronation Ball** in the *Sacramento News and Review.* Mr. Flash is curious if the feedback from the ad was positive. Was the advertisement to increase court visibility and/or to increase attendance at the Coronation? And by the way the Court is working with R.C.D.C. from time to time. They promise even more support to the political organization in the future. Way to go! ▼ Sacramento is dance crazy, especially partner dancing. **Camping Women** had a country and western dance at RCMCC lately. **R.C.D.C.** is planning one in May. **Faces** offers this dance venue in the early evening five nights a week and RCMCC has six dances a month. All the more reason to sign up for my next dance mini-course starting May 4 and/or 5 at the RCMCC Grand Ballroom. Get out on that floor! ▼ My one and only trip to Hawaii was for the 1988 **Hawaii Man's Gathering.** The islands are calling me again to two events. First, **Heartfire: Earth Mysteries,** creative ceremonies for men, from July 5-12. Second is the gathering itself July 13-19. Both are at Kalani Honua on the Big Island of Hawaii. The gatherings attract both gay and non-gay men. The experience is uniquely different for every person who attends. For a better explanation, call 1-800-800-6886. ▼ A support group for **HIV-negative gay men,** the worried well, is forming. The group meets the first and third Monday of every month. Call Jerry at 456-1270 for more information. ▼ **Sacramento Lesbians Creating Change (SLCC)** is now using the Town Council Hotline for membership information. Please call 863-3020, Option #1, Mailbox #4. ▼ Why not take part in the upcoming **Women and Cancer Walk** on May 9. The walk begins and ends at Laney College and circles Lake Merritt in Oakland. Call 415-985-7108 to take part. ▼ Belated April birthday wishes to SAF veteran **Brad Martin.** After a trip to Hawaii, Brad's already tanned skin is even darker. For those of you who know this man, it almost seems impossible. Time for the SPF 29, Bradley! ▼ Happy May birthdays to **SMC** member and total home care expert **Tom "Mama" Dubay, Dr. Scott Christianson, Gary Coates, Dana McKee, Rob Jenkins, Cindy Mariano, Jennifer Birner,** and a belated birthday wish to **Dr. Janet Rogers,** former Director of the AIDS Foundation! ▼ Congratulations to **Alan Yelton and George Whitfield.** According to an announcement, they are about to "consummate their relationship" at an upcoming ceremony. Our very best in the years ahead! ▼ Quite recently, Mr. Flash received an anonymous call from the **Russ Marsh Fan Club.** While the voice on the line usually talks about Russ, this time they informed me of a misunderstanding in my last column [MGW Flash - April 15]. While my intention was to honor some of the members of the River City Democratic Club (RCDC) for their active involvement with the AIDS Memorial Tree Grove, my wording made it appear that these people were no longer with us (deceased). I'm happy to report that the names mentioned are alive and well (and pictured on the following page of that same issue!). Thanks for the call, guys! ▼ Until next time...stay on course.

.....John❑

Photo by Dave Eckert
Jim DiStefano of the Living Room support group and Craig Spatola of the Lambda Center received 45 tickets for Marine World Africa USA from Mark Hoffman, owner of Sports Leisure Travel. These tickets will make it possible for persons with AIDS to enjoy a day at the park.



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Republican hopeful Patrick Buchanan was on the campaign trail in Sacramento early promoting his critical views of President Bush's record. Concern on the part of the lesbian and gay community indicates his position on human rights could be even more devastating than Bush's.

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RCDC members voted to endorse Senate Candidate Barbara Boxer. Her environmental-responsible and pro-lesbian/gay human rights positions are favored by many gay and lesbian supporters. Barbara is congratulated by RCDC board member Katie Merrill.

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Easter Action Huge Success

by Marghe Covino
OF MGW STAFF

Two hundred gays and lesbians led by The Bible Thumpers, a Queer Nation focus group, marched from 8am to 2pm on the sidewalk in front of Sacramento's Capital Christian Center on Easter Sunday to protest the homophobic teachings and political agenda of the senior pastor, Glen Cole.

The protester's mood was lighthearted and humorous although many of their signs dealt with issues serious to the gay and lesbian community. Pink triangles were mounted on crosses with the sign, "Stop crucifying gays," anti-abortion signs were evident as well as signs exposing Cole's political agenda to his followers. One in particular seemed to slow traffic, it read, "From Collection Plate to Candidate."

In spite of protesters good humor and obvious peaceful intent, security on the 20-acre site was tight. More than 50 earpiece and lapel mike equipped security personnel from the church itself were on hand guarding hallways, stairwells and doorways, off-duty police were hired, uniformed sheriffs were inside the building which 12 Highway Patrol motorcycle officers, sheriff's cars and Highway Patrol vehicles patrolled the area. Ledges and outcroppings of the building were used by security personnel to take videos of the protestors. On hand as well, were video cameramen from Operation Rescue and Pat Robertson's United Christian Broadcasting.

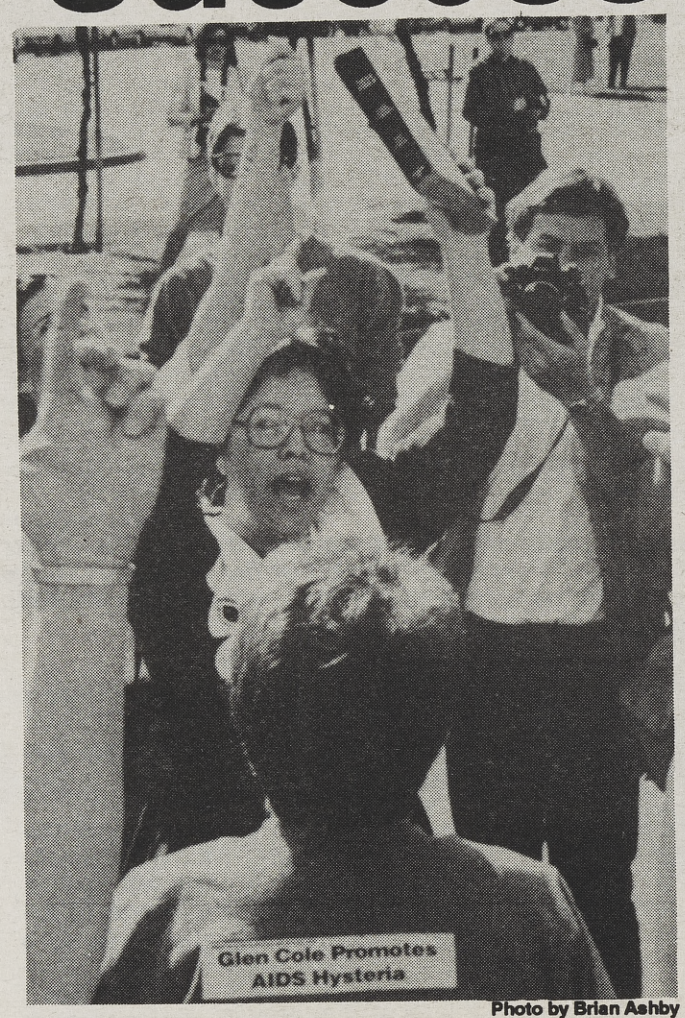
That was in front of the church. In back of the church near the elementary and high schools, emergency vehicles were massed, along with a Sheriff's mounted patrol and a helicopter!

Inside the church all was peaceful. Cole did not acknowledge the protesters in his sermon and no disruptive sound could be heard inside the vast auditorium where churchgoers were viewing and Easter pageant.

Outside, protesters were joined by a busload of Sister of Perpetual Indulgence in full Easter finery. Pope Dementia and Sister Flatulenca Grande were particular crowd favorites. Church members congregated outside waiting for the next service were bewildered. "We don't hate homosexuals — we love them. Pastor Cole loves them and never says anything bad about them," was the theme. Michael Cooney and Pamm Schrade who head the "Set Free" ministry to reform gays (Cooney has a sister who leads a reform group for lesbians), looked sadly upon the demonstrators and said, "I wish they knew we don't hate them — I want them to know they don't need to be gay. There is no judgement and no hate. I was gay once and I know they don't have to be," Cooney said.

Laurie McBride Executive Director of the Lobby for Individual Freedom and Equality (LIFE) was on hand. "The scariest thing is the people inside don't know they're leader is out to kill us — they're being force-fed a slow, poisonous diet of hate."

As if to confirm McBride's statement, a group of Sheriff's officers were talking to one another as they eyed the demonstrators and one officer, Jim Ezell, Badge #60, said to the others,"I wonder how may dicks they've had in their asses — yecch!"



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One church-goer came out to thump her bible at the protesters for a few minutes. After being baptized with "homosexual water" and shouted down, she was escorted away by church security and reprimanded for drawing interest to the protest.

Some church members tried to make contact with the demonstrators but were surrounded and led away by grim-faced security men. One who evaded security for awhile was an orphaned 14-year old, E.J. Byington, who came out to join the demonstrators and to stand with them for awhile. But E.J. was soon taken back into the church by security men.

After the services, Cole held a press conference in a chapel and his message was anything but loving. "This day is a great disappointment — it's a sad day for America when church people have to put up with this kind of thing." He said his message will not change and he will continue to speak out against homosexuality and that the demonstration had strengthened his conviction. "Homosexuality is a sin and a damnation and has brought destruction to every civilization which has allowed it to flourish." He termed the Sisters of Perpetual Indulgence, "blasphemous" and characterized the demonstrators as "reprobates — but I say it with love." He warned that God is a God of justice and that justice will be meted out and said that lawmakers have to counter the homosexuals — stop catering to this thing — there should be no more demanding rights — they have the same rights as anybody else in the Bill of Rights.

Cole denied involvement with Operation Rescue and further denied that he is involved in politics. "We are not involved in politics," he stated forcefully. He said demonstrators chose his church because of "our size, our visibility and our profile in the community."

Seated with the few journalists in the room was Barbara Alby, candidate for the 5th Assembly seat now held by moderate Republican B.T. Collins.

In all, 8,000 members of the congregation saw the protestors and read the signs — and Glen Cole was clearly unhappy about it.▼

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A woman who explained that she didn't usually attend CCC came out to the protesters to ask what the issues were. Her willingness to speak to the protestors was an exception to the usual "Jesus loves you" quipped by most onlookers.

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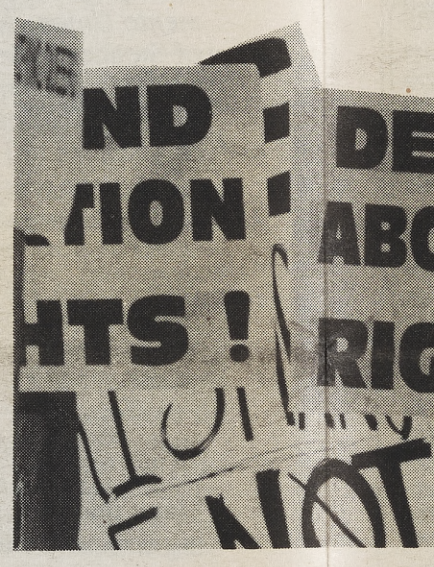

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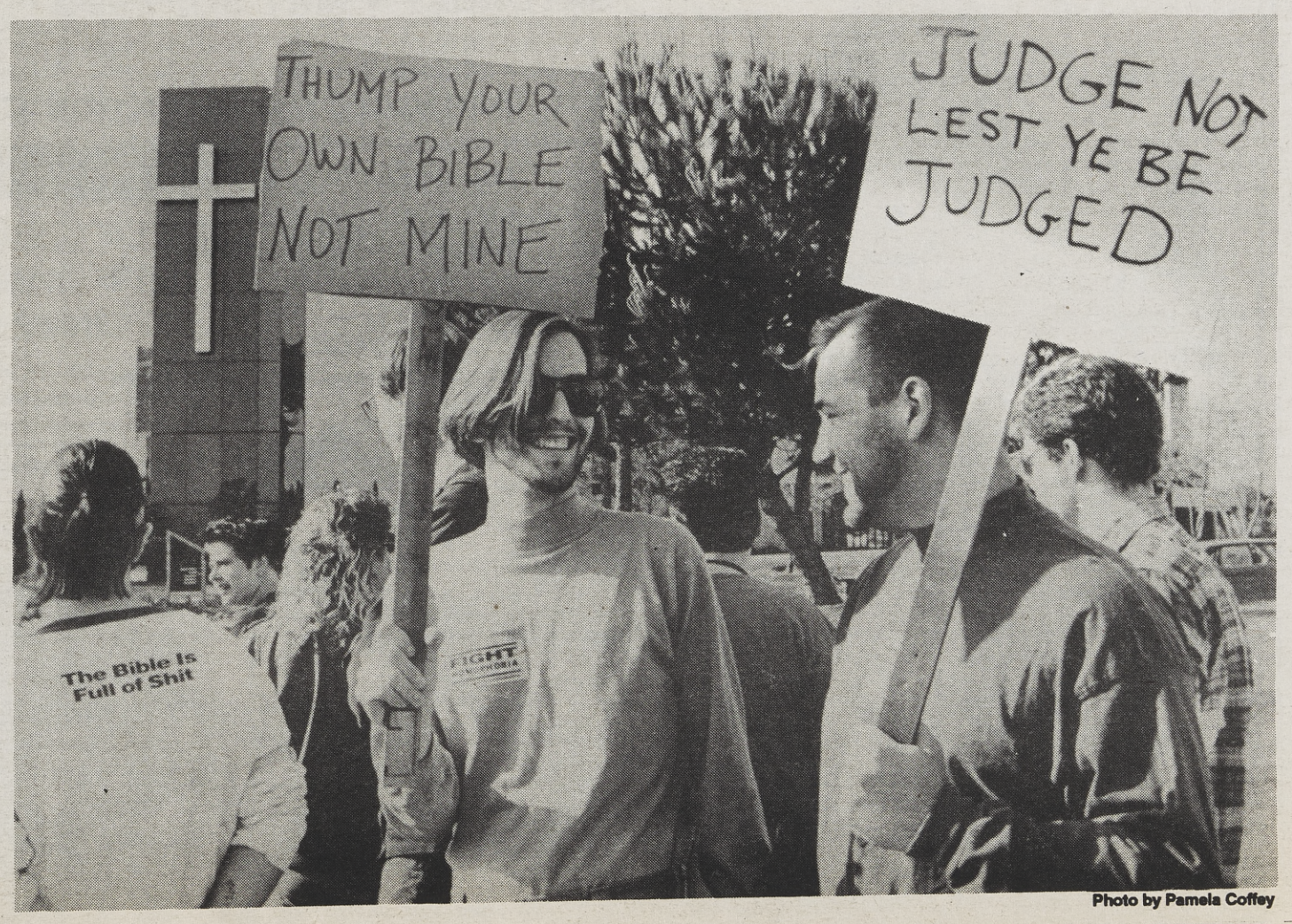

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City College of San Franciso Creates Gay Studies Campus

by Keith Clark
OF MGW STAFF

SAN FRANCISCO—The trustees of City College of San Francisco (CCSF) voted to upgrade one of its largest and most popular education programs to full status as its ninth campus site in the city. In the process the board also created the first campus devoted to classes for its Gay and Lesbian Studies Department, which was itself the first of its kind in the nation.

The newly upgraded Castro-Valencia Campus will offer an expanded and more comprehensive set of classes and services covering a spectrum of gay and lesbian studies, the college's fastest-growing academic department. Launched in 1989, the campus is located in the city's predominately gay Castro District where it has found an eager constituency at its doorstep. The Castro-Valencia program already offers a wide variety of classes, including an "Anthropology of Homosexualities" class, gay lit courses covering authors like Walt Whitman and Willa Cather and several classes in film history, journalism, and creative writing.

The decision to upgrade the current gay studies program into a CCSF campus was, in the words of Chancellor Evan Dobelle, "long overdue."

According to experts in the field, the growing popularity of gay and lesbian studies programs comes from the increasing desire by many gays to reclaim their history and contribution to culture and society.

"People are simply hungry for information about lesbian and gay culture," says Jack Collins, an English professor and coordinator of the CCSF program.▼

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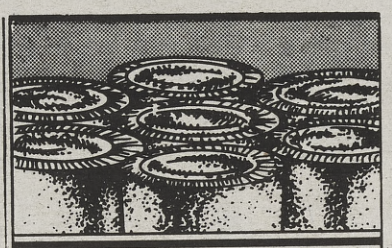
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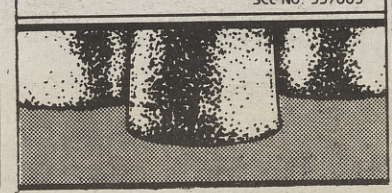

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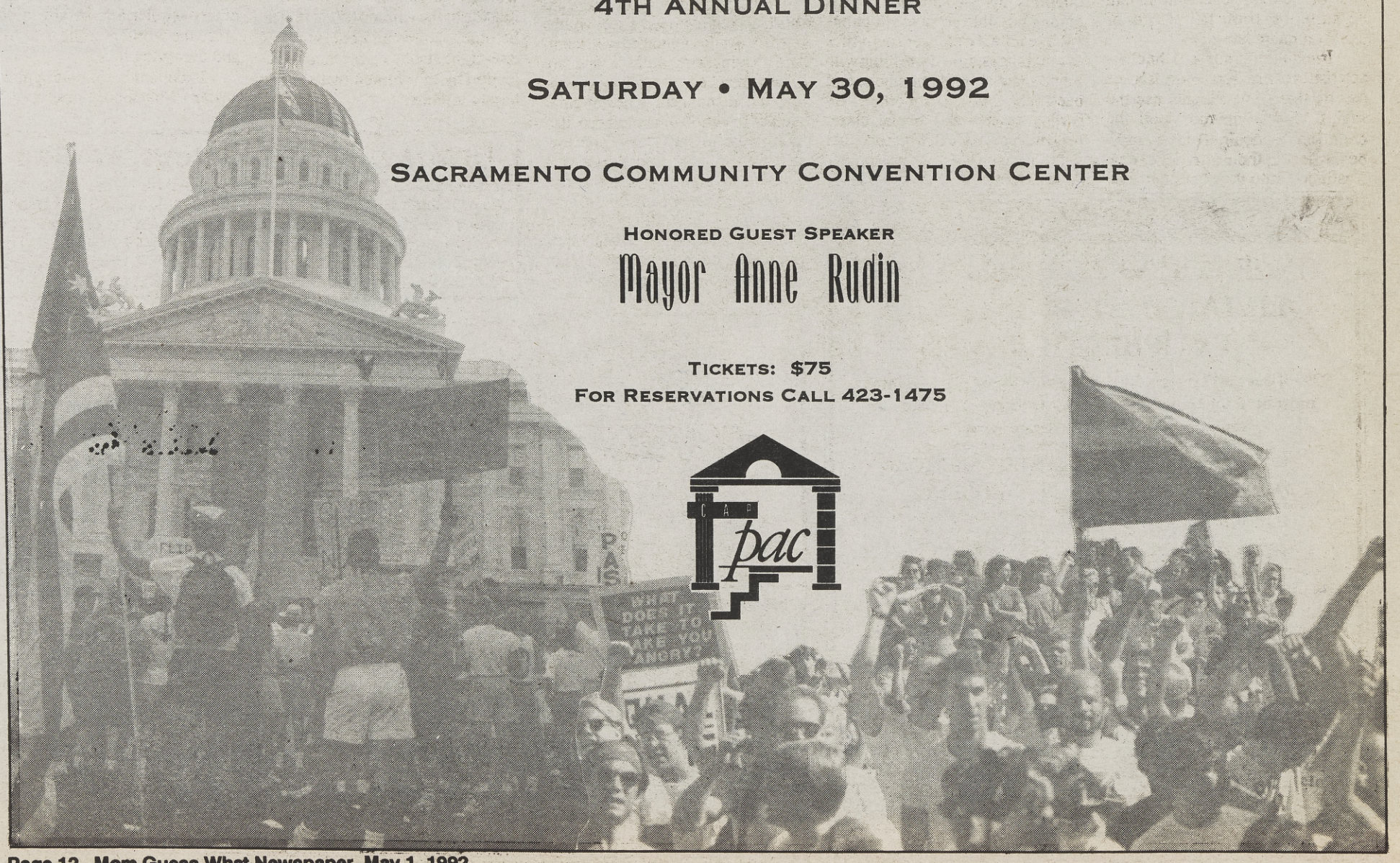

Guide For Gay Men May Be Useful To Some

by M. Kiefer
OF MGW STAFF

***Growing Up Gay in a Dysfunctional Family*, by Rik Isensee, Prentice Hall Press, 229 pages, $12.**

In *Growing Up Gay in a Dysfunctional Family*, author Rik Isensee makes a compelling argument for the comparison of growing up gay in a predominantly heterosexual and homophobic culture with growing up in a dysfunctional family. He further outlines the negative effects of these when exacerbated by each other. An individual trying to heal from the wounds caused by this condition will find a step-by-step guide to doing so within the pages of this book. Where Isensee fails is in providing a plausible causal link to the symptoms of post traumatic stress he asserts can be healed by following the steps within his guide for reclaiming one's life.

Following the conventional wisdom of today's psychotherapists, Isensee defines a dysfunctional family as one that "...consistently fails the child's need for dependable nurturing, unconditional love, empathy and acceptance." He further asserts that "what dysfunctional families have in common is a pervasive pattern of ignoring or discounting the child's feelings, often combined with abusive interactions," and that these abusive interactions consist of a long list of characteristics too numerous to mention, but that among these are chaotic situations with no set patterns, children taking on adult responsibilities, inconsistency in punishments and between the words and actions of adults, denial of addictive behaviors, and, of course, physical or sexual abuse. By these standards it is inconceivable that there exists in today's society any family that is not dysfunctional, and consequently everyone should be suffering from the effects of post-traumatic stress.

In examining some of the characteristics of physical abuse, Isensee asserts that some parents use the saying "Spare the rod, spoil the child" not realizing that they may be displacing their own anger and frustration onto their children, and lists some countries that have outlawed the use of corporal punishment not only in the school systems but in the home as well. Although the author does qualify his statements on corporal punishment, he ignores the legitimate concerns of those who favor such punishment and implies that those who employ that method may be guilty of physical abuse.

Photo by Marilyn Langfeld

Rik Isensee, author of *Growing up Gay in a Dysfunctional Family*

Again, in Isensee's exploration of sexual abuse, although he qualifies his statements, he lists among possible abusive situations such seemingly innocent activities as rough-housing and wrestling with other male family members and back rubs given to a mother. He further asserts that sexual abuse need not be physical in nature--that a mother confiding to her son her disappointments with a father or other deep-seated conflicts could indeed be a form of sexual abuse. It is difficult to fathom that a healthy honesty between family members could be construed to represent such a situation.

in *Growing Up Gay in a Dysfunctional Family*, Isensee asserts homophobia to be a "pervasive and constant stressor in the development of many gay men" and shows that most gay youths grow up in a threatening, homophobic atmosphere without family or peer support for their feelings. These youths are frequently victimized with taunting, hazing and ridicule and are often attacked physically, ostracized and shunned. The anticipation of rejection or assault can also contribute to self-blame and low self-esteem. Isensee provides a convincing argument that feelings of low self-esteem, guilt and shame can lead to the development of a false self and internalized homophobia which can manifest itself in the symptoms of post-traumatic stress.

Trauma, as defined in the manual used by psychotherapists for diagnosing mental health problems, is a "psychologically distressing event that could evoke significant disturbance in anyone." Isensee asserts, and is backed by contemporary psychological thinking, that depending on the nature of the trauma, the stress may be delayed for months or even years after the actual traumatic event. He cites as examples the symptoms displayed by returning war prisoners, survivors of the Holocaust, and rape victims. The reasons for post-traumatic stress is that one's natural ability to absorb trauma is overwhelmed, and it takes time to work through the resulting feelings. Common symptoms of post-traumatic stress include memory loss, difficulty in concentrating disassociation, intrusive memories, dreams, nightmares and hypervigilance. Also included in Isensee's list of symptoms are anxiety, boundary issues, mistrust, withdrawal and low self-esteem.

Isensee asserts that guilt, the cycle of shame and the effects of post-traumatic stress can lead to self-destructive behavior which could include alcohol and substance abuse, compulsive behavior and sexual compulsion. Furthermore, the author presents several options including twelve step recovery programs and self-help support groups as a means for gaining support for the self-empowerment he asserts is essential for healing the effects of post-traumatic stress symptoms. What Isensee fails to take into account is that some individuals do not benefit from group situations and need time alone to sort through the confusion of these effects.

Growing Up Gay in a Dysfunctional Family proves to be a beneficial analysis of how growing up in a homophobic culture is comparable to growing up in a dysfunctional family, and how some gay men may internalize the negativity and find themselves trapped in self-destructive behavior. Isensee deals with the issues of homophobia and trauma and illustrates how they can be manifested in dysfunctional and abusive families. Although the author sometimes misses the mark in his analysis, he provides a guide that some men may find useful in isolating the causes of their abusive/compulsive behaviors and assist them in recovery. ▼

Lesbian Existentialist Meets Life...Under 90 Feet

Reviewed by Elisabeth Pyle
OF MGW STAFF

***Don Juan in the Village*, Jane DeLynn, Ballantine, 1992, 243 pages, $4.99 paperback**

The closest description I can come to the writing style of this book is to say that Robbe-Grillet becomes lesbian.

A truly nihilistic plot throughout, this series of vignettes follows the anonymous heroine through her search for love and self esteem. Incredibly well written, this book views the seamy side of lesbian love and she searches for the one woman to redeem her. Life is outside of the women living it. The heroine endures and enjoys S&M one-night stands or faces total rejection by the women that she can barely tolerate.

The most telling vignette is in "Night Diving." The central theme of the book is summed up in the words:

> "I liked the lostness of it, days in the water, the boat, the sky. I felt most like myself ninety feet beneath the surface...(t)he pressure of the water on my body somehow eased the pressure on my mind; I felt totally at peace."

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Excellent book. DeLynn is a writer. What more can you say?▼

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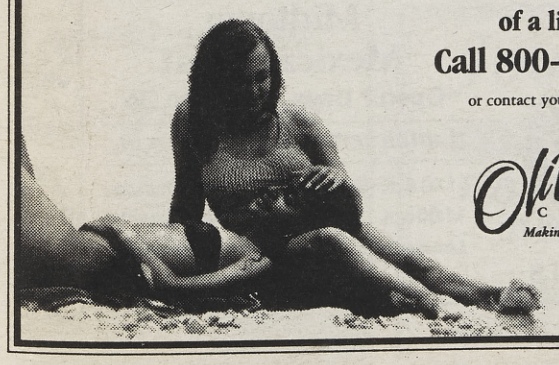

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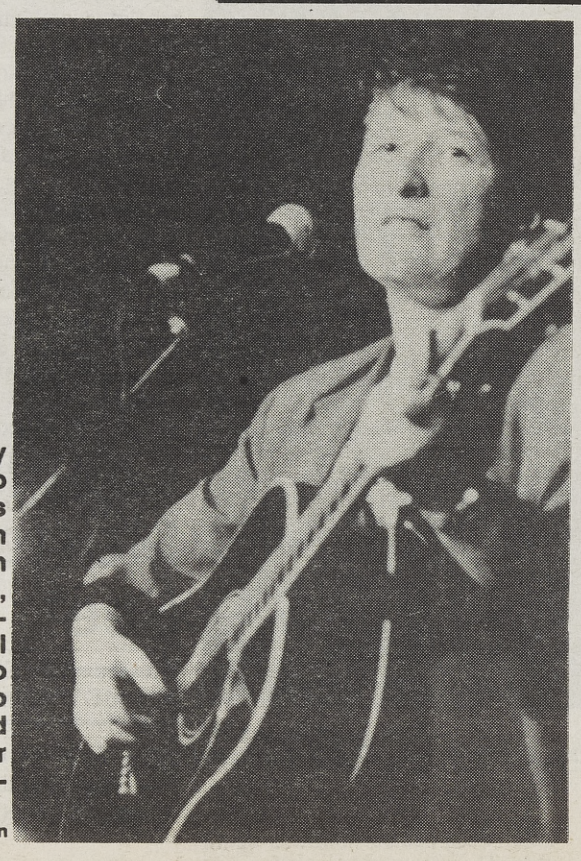


Ferron in Davis
Ferron recently performed two sell-out shows at the Palms in Davis. Known for her intense, poetic, 'Dylan-like' musical style, she also treated fans to her warmth and sense of humor during the concert.
Photo by Joyce Bezan

Happy Mother's Day

Somebody's Mother

The woman was old, and ragged, and gray,
And bent with the chill of the winter's day;

The street was wet with a recent snow,
And the woman's feet were aged and slow.

She stood at the crossing and waited long,
Alone, uncared for, amid the throng

Of human beings who passed her by,
Nor heeded the glance of her anxious eye.

Down the street, with laughter and shout,
Glad in the freedom of "school let out,"

Came the boys like a flock of sheep
Hailing the snow piled white and deep.

Past the woman so old and gray
Hastened the children on their way

Nor offered a helping hand to her—
So meek, so timid, afraid to stir

Lest the carriage wheels or the horses' feet
Should crowd her down in the slippery street.

At last came one of the merry troop—
The gayest laddie of all the group;

He paused beside her and whispered low,
"I'll help you across if you wish to go."

Her aged hand on his strong young arm
She placed, and so without hurt or harm,

He guided the trembling feet along,
Proud that his own were firm and strong.

Then back again to his friends he went,
His young heart happy, and well content,

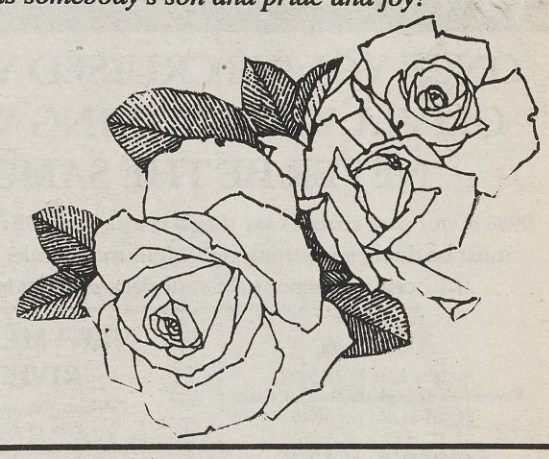
"She's somebody's mother, boys, you know,
For all she's aged and poor and slow;

"And I hope some fellow will lend a hand
To help my mother, you understand,

"If ever she's poor and old and gray,
When her own dear boy is far away."

And "somebody's mother" bowed low her head
In her home that night and the prayer she said

Was, *"God, be kind to the noble boy,*
Who is somebody's son and pride and joy!"



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Two From the 80's on Video

Review by Matthew Kennedy
OF MGW STAFF

Gorillas in the Mist (1988)

Dian Fossey's landmark account of her years studying the mountain gorillas of the central African rain forests, *Gorillas in the Mist,* was made into a movie directed by Michael Apted (*Coal Miner's Daughter*) and starring Sigorney Weaver as Fossey.

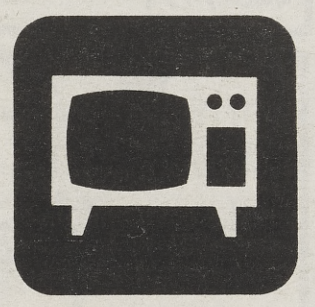
The results were mixed. The movie had the best production values money can buy, with Oscar-nominated efforts in adapted screenplay, sound, musical score, editing and actress. Gorilla life was captured by the camera with stunning intimacy; the noble creatures have great screen charisma.

What then makes this movie curiously pedestrian? To begin, the gorillas give performances more interesting than those from the Homo sapiens. It seems criminal that the great stage actress Julie Harris is given such a brief and thankless role as a benevolent expatriate. Byron Brown as a photographer and Fossey's lover does not make much of an impression either. Most troubling is Weaver. She is in virtually every scene, and her limited acting simply cannot sustain the demands of this difficult and enigmatic character. The book of *Gorillas in the Mist,* a brilliant record of primate behavior, is also a personal look at a passionate and driven woman. Weaver, in her stiff line readings, does not suggest this complexity. She does deliver some touching moments, most notably when her young gorilla charges CoCo and Pucker are sold into captivity.

Both the movie and the book have provided one invaluable service: they have alerted millions to the near-extinction of mountain gorillas. Both movie and book wisely devote substantial time and space to slaughter by poachers. The story is all the more tragic given that Fossey is murdered, probably by poachers, in 1985. Her book, and the movie of her life's work, have carried her message beyond primatologists and animal-rights activists. It is unfortunate that the movie does not capture the dramatic possibilities of either the great apes or Fossey's fascinating and troubled life.

The Big Chill (1983)

Slick, superficial, witty, and immensely entertaining—it's important not to take *The Big Chill* too seriously. The reunion of college friends at a funeral of a fellow 60s



"radical" does not begin to tell the story of a group once disenchanted with their country and the war in Vietnam. In fact, they spend virtually no time talking about those days. They do, however, ponder the choices that landed nearly all of them in positions of wealth and power.

The Big Chill is already showing its age. It's not in the soundtrack, which is packed with great old tunes, including "I Heard It Through the Grapevine", "You Can't Always Get What You Want" and "(You Make Me Feel Like A) Natural Woman". The movie is all very '80s—would any movie of the 90s treat drug use and casual sex so lightheartedly? The reference to herpes is a melancholy reminder of a more innocent time not too long ago. It's hard to remember when that little virus felt like a cataclysmic threat.

Like *American Graffiti* one decade before, *The Big Chill* was a launching pad for a bevy of actors beginning important film, theater and television careers. Featured are Kevin Kline, Tom Berenger, JoBeth Williams, Meg Tilly, Mary Kay Place, Jeff Goldblum, Glenn Close and William Hurt. They all look to be having a great time. If the movie is dated, the sharp and seamless ensemble acting from everyone involved stays young.▼

Gay/Lesbian Choruses Gather in Denver

GALA Choruses announced GALA Choruses Festival IV in Denver, CO, from June 28-July 4. The Festival will be one of the largest choral events ever held, with more than 3,000 participants representing nearly 70 performing choruses in attendance. GALA's largest festival ever will also be one of the largest lesbian/gay gatherings ever held in Denver.

Highlighting the Festival will be the world premieres of 7 new works commissioned by competition expressly for this event. These works are part of GALA Choruses' ongoing commitment to providing a legacy of music for the gay/lesbian community.

GALA Choruses, celebrating their tenth anniversary in 1992, is committed to the mission of providing leadership and inspiration to the lesbian and gay movement through excellence in the choral arts. The first Festival, in 1983, brought 12 choruses to New York's Lincoln Center. In 1986, 17 choruses visited Orchestra Hall in Minneapolis. 1989 saw 45 choruses perform in Seattle.

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Jean Runyon Named Honorary Chair for AIDS Walk '92.

The Sacramento AIDS Foundation has named Jean Runyon, President of Runyon, Saltzman, Weagraff & Siegel, a public relations firm, as Honorary Chairwoman for AIDS Walk '92.

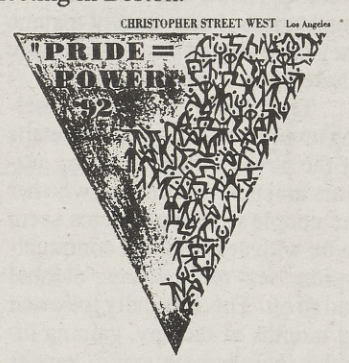
Runyon is spearheading the effort to get the Sacramento business community involved with the Walk which is the Foundation's premiere fund-raising event. A corporate kick-off breakfast on May 5 at Sacramento's Hyatt Regency will allow businesses to learn more about the event and how they can form teams of their employees to participate in AIDS Walk.

Corporate sponsors who have already pledged their support include Wells Fargo, Cellular One, KOVR 13, and Graffiti Advertising and Design. Eleven area radio stations have stepped forward to aggressively promote the Walk through contests and air and office staff participation. Those stations are: K108, 93 Rock, 96.9 The Eagle, Fresh Country 98.5, KRFD, 1240 KSAC, KWOD 106, KHYL, KRCX. 100.5 The Point and KSFM 102. These stations will be encouraging their listeners to join their staff in raising money for AIDS Walk '92.

The Walk takes place June 14, from the West Steps of the State Capitol. The route extends to McKinley Park and back. Proceeds from AIDS Walk '92 benefit five Sacramento organizations which offer service and support to those touched by the disease: Sacramento AIDS Foundation, WCIC, CARES, Lambda Community Center, and El Hogar.▼

Los Angeles Announces Pride Festival Logo

Christopher Street West (CSW) officially released the logo for the 1992 Los Angeles Gay and Lesbian Pride Celebration. The new logo represents the passion and energy embodied so effectively in the theme, "Pride=Power." The slogan was adopted as this year's official theme by the International Association of Gay and Lesbian Pride Coordinators at their yearly meeting in Boston.



The 1992 Gay and Lesbian Pride Festival will be held in the West Hollywood Park on June 27 and 28. The Festival includes a parade on Sunday, June 28, at 11 am. Saturday's activities will run from 12 noon to 12 midnight; Sunday's hours are 12 noon to 11 pm.▼

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Healing Relationships:
Becoming a Conscious Couple

by Sandra Warne
M.A., MFCCI

Couples enter counseling at every and all stages of relationships. They may be fairly new together and stunned to discover that they think they might be with the wrong person. They could be fifteen years into a relationship that has disintegrated into a series of ongoing battles. They may be older and considering a "friendly breakup". But, whatever their circumstances, I can usually assume they have moved past the romantic phase of their relationship.

Traditional couples counseling involves wading into the details of the power struggle. Many sessions are spent determining whether the couple's main problems seem to be with sex, money, communication, sex roles, drugs, alcohol and so on. This is usually followed by months of therapy, gaining insights into the problems. Couples learn a lot about each other in the time spent together, and can become more skilled at communication, but long term, few of them seem to be able to transcend the power struggle, and regress to arguing about who has violated which contract first. The therapist simply ends up structuring and quantifying the conflicts.

In the couple's counseling I do, I have discovered that in order to be effective, we can't dwell on surface issues like money, roles and sexual incompatibility. Underneath these problems are unresolved childhood needs, and communication skills alone and behavioral contracts are not going to address these deeper issues. In order to be effective, couples need to address some fundamental conflicts. With this understanding I work with couples more intensely, searching beneath the surface phenomena for more primitive issues.

Because every relationship is different, my approach to each couple will blend formula and invention. Couples entering therapy in the middle of crisis will have a different starting point than those entering numb to their pain and detached emotionally.

In either case, however, in the first few sessions I make it a point to establish ground rules for therapy. One of the first rules is based on mutual commitment to change and to attend at least 10 therapy sessions. I ask for this commitment because statistics show that couples quit therapy somewhere between the 3rd and 5th appointments which is about the time it takes for conscious issues to begin to emerge and for people to begin to experience anxiety and thus resistance.

The couples work I do is demanding and is a conscious commitment to work and change—it is client active, not client passive. The work is based on the books and workshops of Harville Hendrix, Ph.D., and is adapted to gay and lesbian couples.

Usually one of the first orders of business is to help couples define their mutual relationship vision. Defining the vision turns their energy away from past and present disappointments toward a more hopeful future. Achieving this vision becomes one of the goals of therapy. Once committed to couples therapy, the next step is to help them become allies, not enemies. There is a therapeutic school of thought that assumes, as in medicare, that once a disease is cured patients return to full health and that ends it. But such a medical model is not useful in couple's therapy. There is no genetic code that governs relationships. Emotional blocks can be removed and insight gained, but habitual behaviors still cling.

Insight into childhood wounds is a crucial element in couples therapy, but it is not enough by itself. People need to learn how to let go of counterproductive behaviors and communication and replace them with more effective ones. Effective communication is essential to a good relationship. Defined as a verbal or non-verbal exchange of information, meaning and feelings between two people, it covers every possible way we can interact.

One of the first tools taught and used between couples in therapy is the *Conscious Couples Dialogue.* It consists of three processes, called mirroring, validation and empathy. Constant criticism is a sure sign of a deteriorating relationship. It is very important to understand that under every criticism is a frustration and under every frustration is a hurt or fear. The conscious couples dialogue is an instrument for framing and containing frustrations for better communications. At points of conflict it is one partner's responsibility to: 1) *State their frustration—i.e., "I feel frustrated that you finish my sentences and lose patience with me."* At that point the other partner is to *mirror* back what he or she has heard in the content of the message. This indicates a willingness to transcend one's own thoughts and feelings for a moment and understand from the partner's point of view. Mirroring allows your partner to send their message again and permits paraphrasing until there is understanding. 2) *Explain the hurt or fear behind the frustration*—i.e., "I feel hurt and invalidated when you don't take time to listen to me, it makes me feel unimportant." Here again the other partner is to mirror back those feelings accurately without any defense of his or her position. 3) *The childhood wound.* The frustrated partner now searches their memory for the childhood wound responsible for the intense feelings that are now evoked, i.e., "When I was little, I was the youngest and simply did not count. I was told over and over to be seen and not heard and that if I couldn't say something good not to say anything." At this point the receiving partner is to validate, empathize and mirror back an understanding of that wounding, thus suspending or transcending their own point of view that allows their partner's experience to have it's own validity.

4) *Behavior change request.* At this time the frustrated partner may ask for a behavior change. This request must be a specific and measurable as possible, i.e., "I ask that we set aside a specific amount of time per day (half-hour after work) and you explore my feelings, and how my day went, allowing plenty of time for me to formulate my thoughts, feelings and ideas." The receiving partner considers the request and, if realistic, grants the request or modifies it slightly so it can be granted with consistency, i.e., "I can meet with you 20 minutes a work day to listen to your feelings and an hour each weekend day."

The reciprocal exchange of this process is the Conscious Couples Dialogue. Next month I will explore other aspects of becoming a Conscious Couple.▼

Groundbreaking Conference on Aging Gays and Lesbians

San Francisco will host a groundbreaking conference on issues of concern to aging lesbians and gay men on June 22 at the Hotel Nikko. It is sponsored by the American Society on Aging, a San Francisco-based national association of professionals in the field of aging, and co-sponsored by the National Association of Lesbian and Gay Gerontologists.

The conference, "Diversity with a Difference: Serving Three Million Aging Gays and Lesbians," will bring together older gay man and lesbians, researchers on gay and lesbian aging issues, representatives of facilities providing health care and social services to the aging population and gays and lesbians of all ages who wish to learn about being old and gay.

Congressman Gerry Studds, an out gay member of the House of Representatives and member of the House Select Committee on Aging, will keynote the conference.

The conference is the first of its kind, according to Marcia Freedman, Director of public information for the American Society on Aging. "Our aim is to provide a forum in which aging lesbians and gay men can be heard by mainstream service providers, policymakers and planners, as well as by younger lesbians and gay men. We will be looking at the ways in which homophobia affects healthcare and social services for gays and lesbians and the ways in which ageism affects being old in the gay community."

According to freedman, there are at least 3 million gays and lesbians over the age of 65 in the United States. Though there is an effective network of services for the aging established in every community in the country, older gays and lesbians do not always find them accessible. For the most part, even in communities like San Francisco where there is a large gay and lesbian population, service providers are insensitive to the needs and the relationships of older gays and lesbians. Therefore their problems do not get solved and are sometimes even exacerbated.

The American Society on Aging (ASA) has almost 9,000 members who are professionals providing healthcare and social services to the aging. ASA was the first national aging organization to include gay and lesbian aging issues as a regular part of its annual meetings. According to Freedman, ASA has long-range plans beyond the San Francisco conference to provide national, mainstream visibility to the issues affecting the large but extremely invisible population of aging gays and lesbians.

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▼ pet talk

Lowly Flea Causes Big-Time Trouble

by Joan Guertin
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Springtime brings such lovely feelings with it that we often tend to forget that it also heralds the advent of the serious flea season. Fleas are the bane of every dog owner's existence. They are prolific, hardy and very often resistant to many of the remedies we use to attempt extermination. Many of the remedies out on the market are effective if used properly, but often are not, so flea control efforts are wasted.

Most of the literature on fleas stress the importance of multiple applications. Fleas exist in three forms: the egg, the pupae and the adult. The egg and adult can be reached by most products; however, the pupae stage is impervious to chemicals. Therefore, it is important to do multiple treatments so that the new hatchings are killed. Most of us find it difficult and time consuming to treat fleas on our own. The only was to truly lick the problem is premise control, treating both indoors and outdoors and the animals all at the same time. A good pest control company will do it, and most will guarantee their work so that if the treatment does not work, they will return to repeat as often as necessary until the problem is under control. Then, regular monthly or bi-monthly service should be sufficient.

I often take a day to deal with the problem. I have the house and yard sprayed, and since I have to vacate the premises for up to four hours, I take that time to take the pups to the doggie wash for their flea bath. By the time I get them home, the yard area should be dry so that they can return safely. If not, I just crate them in the house until the yard is dry so that they don't walk on any wet chemicals.

One area that is often overlooked is the crate, dog house or other sleeping areas. These are natural nesting places for fleas and while you are diligent about the rest of the area, when overlooked, these areas become a source of reinfestation for your dog. If you use crates for sleeping, vacuum them out, particularly under a false bottom to the crate. Bedding should be washed weekly as well.

My recommendation to those who take their dogs away from the premises is to dust with a quick-kill powder before leaving home. When you return, turn the dog over and check the underside (it is easier to see fleas scurrying across a bare belly than it is to find them in dense hair). I keep a fine toothed flea comb handy to remove the fleas. Drop them from the comb into a bowl of soapy water or alcohol.

Often we treat, wash and vacuum, comb and still can't figure out why fleas are present. Check your vacuum bag! Those fleas, eggs and pupae that you pulled up out of the carpet and the dog house are multiplying within the confines of the bag. So be prepared to vacuum and then dispose of the bag. I personally use a Rainbow vacuum so that everything I pick up does directly into water laced with some deodorant oil or liquid soap, so the fleas die right there.

Before moving into a new house, and before moving furniture in, set off flea bombs if the house hasn't been professionally defleaed. If there have been animals in the house previously, remember that fleas can live in carpeting and the eggs and pupae can lie dormant for many years until a host appears for it to feed on. The bombs are not effective in a house with furniture unless you also spray under the furniture. The spray from a flea bomb will only light on exposed surfaces.

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It is important that pet owners deal with the flea problem. While by themselves they are nasty creatures, the damage they do can result in other serious problems for your pets. Fleas can cause internal parasites such as tapeworms. Many pets are allergic to the flea bite which can result in severe itching and scratching which, in turn, result in open sores which can become infected.

I have had many people tell me that they can't find any fleas on their dog, but the animal scratches all the time. Fleas only spend about five percent of their lives on the host, so you may never see a flea on the dog. However, you can detect fleas through their excrement which is most evident around the dog's genital area in the form of tiny black specks.

Before using any commercial product for flea control, it is best to read the directions thoroughly and if you have the opportunity, talk to a reliable clerk at your pet shop or feed store. No matter how you slice it, controlling the flea problem will be costly; however, by ignoring the problem until it reaches emergency proportions, you are asking for an even greater cost in terms of your pet's health.

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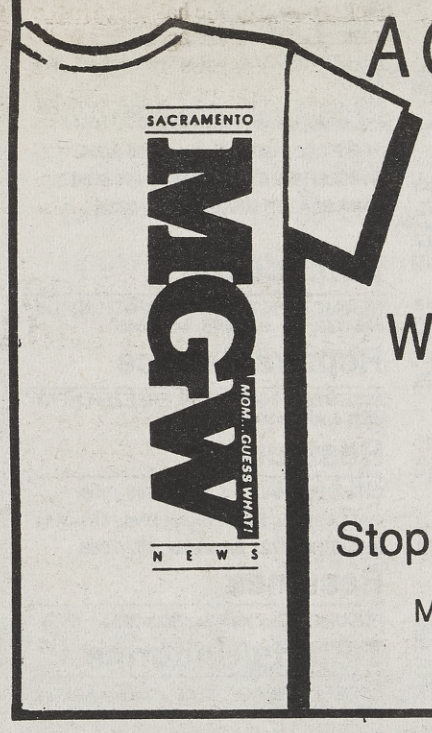

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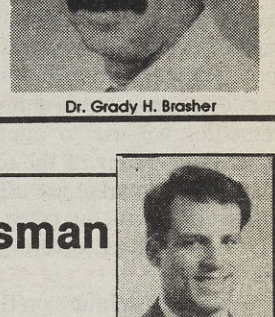
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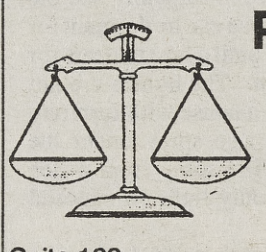

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▼ 2 - Saturday

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CSUS Lesbian/Bisexual Soc. Support Gp., CSUS Union, Miwok Rm., 2pm, 278-7388.

Durable Power of Attorney for Health Care Workshop, Hospice Program UCDMC, Lambda Comm. Ctr., 1931 L St., 7:30pm.

INVOLVED! Awards Reception, Best Western/Placerville Inn, Alexander Rm., 6850 Greenleaf Dr., Placer., 676-5532.

Country Western Ballroom Dance Mini-Course, RCMCC Grand Ballroom, 2741 34th St., 6:30pm, John Batchelor, 453-8991.

▼ 6 - Wednesday

IGTA Nat'l Convention, Provincetown, MA, thru May 10, 612-379-4697.

▼ 7 - Thursday

Dixon May Fair, Dixon Fairgrounds, 655 South First St., Dixon, 678-5529.

Sacramento Cty. Fair, Cal Expo, thru May 10.

GLAAD/SFBA Meeting, 514 Castro #B, SF, 7pm, 415-861-4588.

SLCC Events & Fundraising Meeting, 451-0201.

An Evening With Barbara Boxer, 1122 17th St., 5:30pm, 451-1970.

WEAVE Annual Auction, 1600 9th St., 5:30pm.

▼ 8 - Friday

SSPCA Monte Carlo Nite, 2003 Howe Ave., 8pm, 383-PETS.

▼ 9 - Saturday

Mother's Day Picnic, SACWN, Beach Lake Preserve, 12pm, $3, 486-8985.

The Human Race, SSPCA, William Land Park, 7am, 383-PETS.

▼ 10 - Sunday

2nd Ann. Breat Cancer Rally, West Steps of Capitol, 2pm, 334-2273.

Single Mother's Day Celebration, Chemical Dependency Center for Women, McKinley Park, 1pm, 448-2951.

▼ 11 - Monday

2nd Annual AIDS Budget Lobby Day, State Capitol, 10am, register by May 4, SF AIDS Found., 415-864-5855 x2599.

Potluck with Men's Rap Group", Women's Rap & Social Gp., Lambda Comm. Ctr., 7pm, 442-0185.

▼ 12 - Tuesday

CSUS Lesbian/Bisexual Soc. Support Gp., CSUS Union, Miwok Rm., 2pm, 278-7388.

▼ 13 - Wednesday

Candidates Night, Green Party, County Council, 917 H St., 6:30pm, 441-5735.

▼ 14 - Thursday

Calaveras Cty. Fair & Jumping Frog Jubilee, Angels Camp, 209-736-2561.

▼ 15 - Friday

SLCC Nite, Domestic Partners Ordinance, 7pm, 687-7282.

Judy Fjell & Crystal Reeves, The Palms, Davis, 8:30pm, 756-9901.

Pediatric HIV/AIDS: The Emerging Challenge, Sutter Comm. Hospitals, Sheraton Rancho Cordova Hotel, 11211 Point East Dr., 8:30am, 733-3780.

▼ 16 - Saturday

Wooden Boat Concourse d'Elegance, Bass Lake, thru May 17, 209-642-3676.

Common Sense Dog Training, 6424 Sutter Ave., Carm., 6:30pm, 485-2201.

"Personal Safety & Rape Prevention", YWCA, 1122 17th St., 10am, 442-4741.

▼ 17 - Sunday

Sunday Reading Series '92, Time-Tested Books, 1114 21st St., 7:30pm, $2-5, 447-5696.

Lambda U., S&M Workshops, "Handballing", Wreck Room, 442-0185.

Steve Homan Quintet, Montevina Winery, Amador Cty. Arts Council (ACTA), 12pm, 209-267-0211.

▼ 18 - Monday

SAF: Where Is It Going and What Is It Doing?, SAF, 920 20th Street, 2nd Floor, 448-2437.

S.A.G.A. IV Skate Party, King's Skate Country, 2900 Bradshaw, 8:30pm, $5, 635-1535.

"Lesbians & Parenting Issues", Women's Rap & Social Gp., Lambda Comm. Ctr., 7pm, 442-0185.

CARES Volunteer Meeting, CARES, 2710 Capitol Ave., 7pm, 443-3299.

Nat'l AIDS Lobby Day, 1-800-24-LOBBY.

▼ 19 - Tuesday

P-FLAG Mtg., "My Spouse Is Gay, What Do I Do?", St. Marks UMC, 2391 St. Marks Way, 7:30pm, 665-1050.

▼ 20 - Wednesday

Women in Action Lobby Day, SAC Comm. Conv. Ctr., 442-3414.

"Talk Dirty To Me", Good Vibrations, 1210 Valencia St., 7:30pm, $20, 415-550-0912.

▼ 22 - Friday

Dixieland Jubilee, SAC, thru May 25, 372-5277.

Carnaval '92, Mission Dist., S.F., thru May 24, S.F. Vis. Info. Ctr., 415-824-8999.

▼ 23 - Saturday

"Two Nice Girls", The Palms, Davis, 7:30, 10pm, 756-9901.

Melanie De More', IMA Cultural Center, Bodega, CA, 8pm, 415-601-6514.

▼ 24 - Sunday

GLAAD/East Bay Meeting, Pacific Center, 2712 Telegraph Ave., 7pm, 510-273-9176.

▼ 25 - Monday

"Secret Rap Question", Women's Rap & Social Gp., Lambda Comm. Ctr., 7pm, 442-0185.

▼ 26 - Tuesday

Common Sense Dog Training, Fieckert Park, off Elk Grove Blvd., on Emerald Vista., 6:30pm, 485-2201.

▼ 27 - Wednesday

"Sexual Healing for Incest/Molest Survivors & Their Partners", Charter Hospital, Roseville, 7pm, 800-648-5400.

▼ 30 - Saturday

CAP PAC Annual Dinner, Sacramento Community Center.

Envision 18 Conference, ADAC, thru May 31, 731-8802.

▼ 31 - Sunday

Sunday Reading Series '92, Time-Tested Books, 1114 21sr St., 7:30pm, $2-5 donation, 447-5696.

JUNE

▼ 1 - Monday

Earth Summit, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, thru May 12.

▼ 2 - Tuesday

General Elections, CA Primary, Don't forget to vote!

▼ 4 - Thursday

GLAAD/SFBA Meeting, 514 Castro #B, SF, 7pm, 415-861-4588.

"Civil Rights: What's Left...What's Right?", CA Association of Human Rights Organizations, Capitol Plaza Holiday Inn, 300 J St., thru Jun. 6.

Common Sense Dog Training, Curtis Park, Sutterville & E. Curtis at 10th, 6:30pm, 485-2201.

▼ 5 - Friday

UN World Environment Day.

Monica Grant, BACW, Modesto Jr. College Recital Hall, 8pm, 209-527-8237.

▼ 7 - Sunday

Lambda U., S&M Workshops, "Blood Sports", Wreck Room, 442-0185.

League Softball, 21st & C St., 12pm.

▼ 12 - Friday

Camping Women, Mariah white water rafting trip & campout, 689-9326 or 638-4749.

▼ 13 - Saturday

Sixth Annual Int'l Lesbian & Gay Bodybuilding Championships, Lowell High School, S.F.

▼ 14 - Sunday

League Softball, 21st & C St., 12pm.

AIDS 10K Walk '92, SAC AIDS Found., West Steps of Capitol, 8am, 325-0645.

Jimmy Robinson Quartet, Sobon Estate Winery, Amador Cty. Arts Council, 209-267-0211.

▼ 15 - Monday

S.A.G.A. IV Skate Party, King's Skate Country, 2900 Bradshaw, 8:30pm, $5, 635-1535.

▼ 18 - Thursday

Lambda Comm. Appreciation Awards Dinner, Tuesday Club, 442-0185.

▼ 20 - Saturday

SAC City Auction, SAC Comm. Ctr. Exhibit Hall B, 13th & J St., 8am, 264-5708.

SACWN Pride Dance, Unitarian Meeting Hall, 447-7255.

Lambda Freedom Fair, McKinley Park, 10am, 442-0185.

Annual SSPCA "Barking Lot Sale", SSPCA, 6201 Florin-Perkins Rd., 9am, 383-PETS.

▼ 21 - Sunday

League Softball, 21st & C St., 12pm.

▼ 27 - Saturday

L.A. Gay/Lesbian Pride Celebration, West Hollywood Park, 213-656-6553.

GALA Choruses Festival IV Opening Concert, Denver, CO, 8pm, 303-832-1526.

▼ 28 - Sunday

San Francisco Lesbian/Gay Freedom Day Parade Celebration, Civic Center Plaza, 415-864-FREE.

GLAAD/East Bay Meeting, Pacific Center, 2712 Telegraph Ave., 7pm, 510-273-9176.

The Idea Gallery Theater presents "Diamond Dust" starring Ron Crumprod as "Kemo" May 15th through July 31st. For information call 447-6209.

▼ 30 - Tuesday

GALA Choruses Festival IV, Concert, Denver, CO, 2pm, 303-832-1526.

JULY

▼ 5 - Friday

CA Assn. of Human Rights Organizations Conference, Capitol Plaza Holiday Inn, 300 J St., Diversity & Justice Workshops, 1:30pm, 3pm, 446-0100.

▼ 8 - Wednesday

14th National Lesbian & Gay Health Conference & 10th Annual AIDS/HIV Forum, Los Angeles Airport Hilton & Towers, (202) 797-3708 or (202) 667-9778.

▼ 10- Friday

CA State Fair Wine Judging Competition, thru July 12, 924-2344.

▼ 11 - Saturday

Camping Women, River float, 689-9326 or 638-4749.

UN World Population Day.

▼ 12 - Sunday

League Softball, 21st & C St., 12pm.

▼ 13 - Monday

ACT UP Action, Democratic National Convention, New York City, thru Jul. 16, 202-328-AIDS.

▼ 17 - Friday

Camping Women, Willows Retreat in Napa Valley, 689-9326 or 638-4749.

Gaylaxicon IV, A Sci-Fi/Fantasy/Horror Convention, Guest Quarters Suite Hotel, Philadelphia, PA, thru Jul. 19, Gaylaxicon IV, P.O. Box 656, Washington, DC 20044.

▼ 19 - Sunday

League Softball, 21st & C St., 12pm.

▼THEATRE▼

CALL FOR TIMES, COSTS, ETC.

Theater Rhinoceros, 415-861-5079. Cowell Theater, Fort Mason Center, S.F., **"The Baddest of Boys,"** May 14-31.

Crest Theater, 1013 K St. Mall, 442-5189, **"Casablanca",** May 1-21.

Garbeau's Dinner Theatre, 12401 Folsom Blvd, Rancho Cordova, 985-6361, **"Bus Stop",** Apr. 20-May 10, **"Driving Miss Daisy",** May 15-Jul. 12.

Guild Theater, 2830 35th St., 446-1388, **"Vague Syndromes",** Apr. 10-May 23.

Idea Gallery Theater, 3414 4th Ave., 447-6209, **"An Installation,** May 2-Jun. 13, **"Diamond Dust",** May 15-Jul 31.

Lambda Community Center, 1931 L St., 442-0185, **"Levitation",** May 23-Jun. 21, **Original Script,** Jul. 25-Aug 23.

The York Hotel, 940 Sutter St., SF, 415-885-6800, **Murder Mystery Dinner,** May 9.

Theater Rhinoceros, 2926 16th St., SF, 415-861-5079, **"The Baddest of Boys",** May 14-31.

SAC City Actors Theater, 3835 Freeport Blvd., 558-2228, **"Crimes of the Heart",** thru May 23.

Sacramento Theater Co., 1419 H St., 443-6722, **"At the Still Point",** Apr. 17-May 10, **"Starting Here, Starting Now",** May 15-Jun. 6.

Studio of Dramatic Arts, Guild Theater, 35th & Broadway, 339-0813. **"Bell, Book & Candle",** AIDS Benefit Show, May 28-30, Jun. 4-6, 11-13.

The Show Below, 2130 L St., 446-2787, **"Breaking The Code",** May 1-Jun. 6.

Music Circus, 1419 H St., 557-1999, **"A Chorus Line,** SAC Community Theater, June 2-7, **"Chess",** July 6-12, **"Oklahoma",** July 13-19, **"Fiddler on the Roof",** July 20-26, **"The Sound of Music",** July 27-August 2, **"Funny Girl",** August 3-9, **"Hello, Dolly",** August 10-16, **"Cabaret",** August 17-23.

▼GALLERIES▼

Archival Framing Gallery, 1729 L St., 444-9624, **Gone Fishin',** Apr. 25-May 30.

Crocker Art Museum, 3rd & O St., 264-5423. **Dan Babior,** thru May 24, **Hubert A. Arnold Vessels,** thru May 31, **Viola Frey Figures,** thru May 17, **67th Annual Crocker-Kingsley Exhibition,** thru Jun. 4, **Mythic Maps,** thru May 24, **SAC Cty. H.S. Art & Photojournalism,** thru May 31.

Himovitz-Miller Gallery, 550 Pavilions Ln., 925-5917. **James Lovera, Joan Gold** thru May 30.

Joyce Abreu Gallery, 3712 Auburn Blvd., 488-1211. **Special Spring Showing, Carol Collette, Barbara Wood, Alice Scott, Sergi Yatsenko, Angelo Destefano,** thru Jun. 30.

John Natsoulas Gallery, 140 F St., Davis, 756-3938. **"The Spirit Made Visible",** May 9-31, recep. May 9, 7pm., **6th Annual 30 Ceramic Sculptors,** thru May 3.

Michael Himovitz Gallery, 1020 10th, 448-8723. **Tamara Blanken, Chris Deville, ReBecca Gozion, Alexa Grodner,** thru May 30, reception, May 2, 6pm.

Museum of Anthropology, CSUS, 6000 J St., 278-5337. **"Other Worlds in African Art",** thru May 14.

Shenandoah Gallery, 12300 Steiner Rd., Plymouth, 209-245-4455. **Helen Wood, Nancy Paterson,** May 8-Jul 1, **Pat Conway,** Jul. 4-Aug. 26.

Spectrum/Himovitz Gallery, 511 Harrison, S.F., 415-495-1113. **Roxanne O'Brien, Livia Stein, Spaulding Taylor,** thru Jun. 27, reception, May 14, 6pm.

"Spring Salon 2," thru May 16, call for location, 441-7025.

The Shenandoah Gallery, 12300 Steiner Rd., Plymouth, CA, 209-245-4455. **Helen Wood, Nancy Paterson,** May 9 - July 1, **Pat Conway,** July 1 - Aug. 26, **Carol Attoe, Suzan Goodban, Barbara Milman,** Sept. 6. - Oct. 28.

University Union Exhibit Lounge, CSUS, 6000 J St., 278-7250. **Student Purchase Awards Show,** thru May 22.

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